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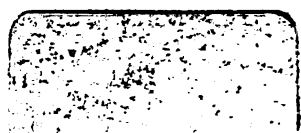
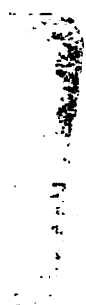
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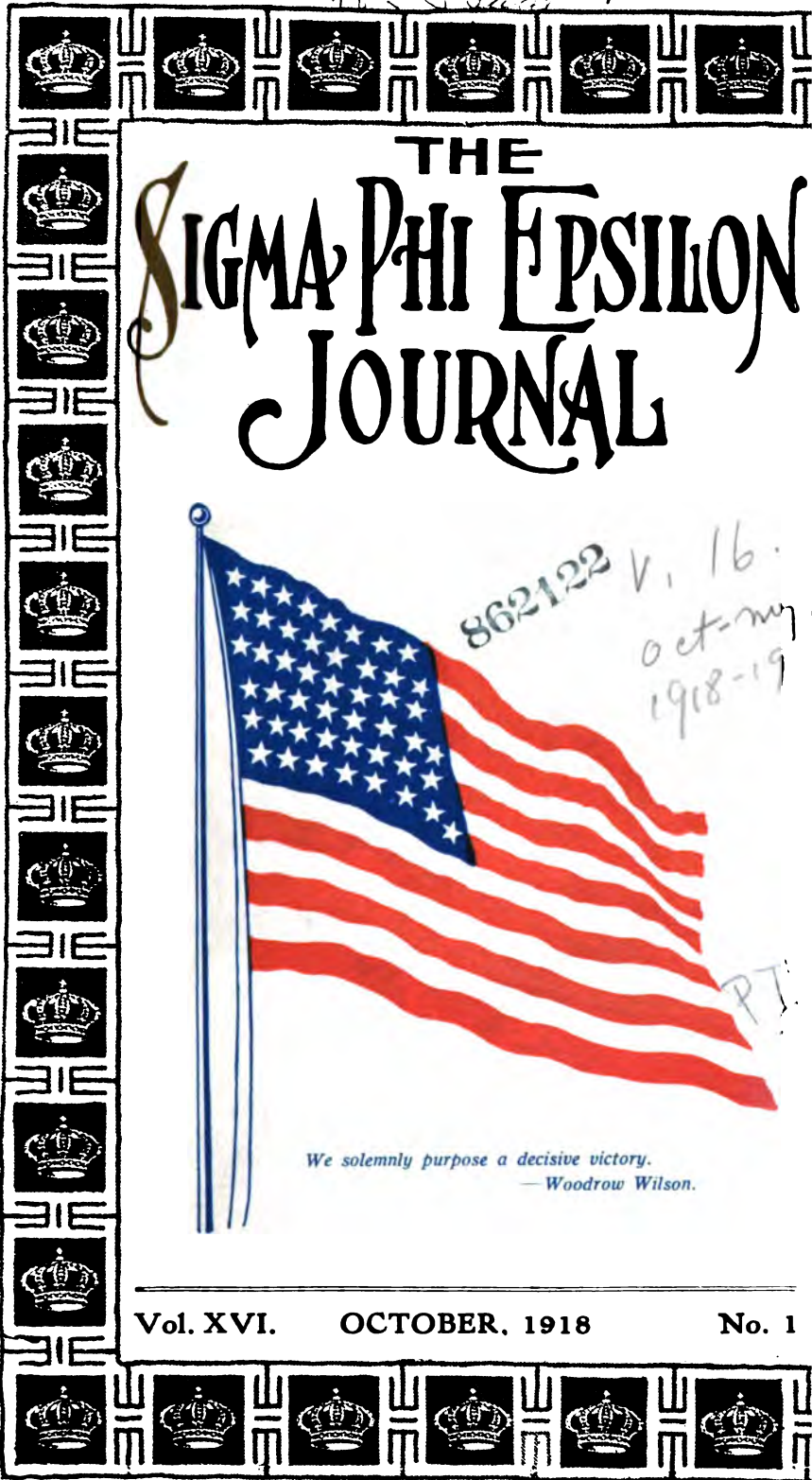


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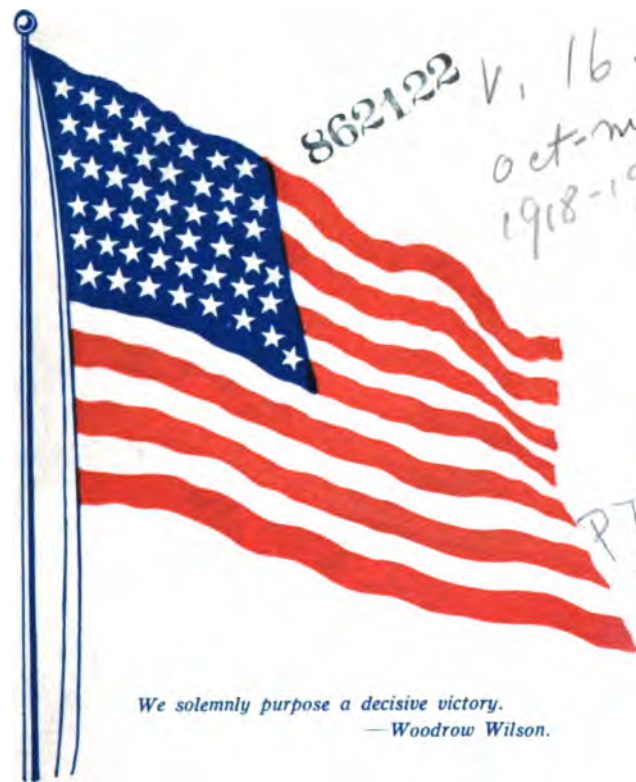


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By the Grand Secretary

Never before in the history of Sigma Phi Epsilon has the aid of the Alumni been more needed. The whole fraternity system is being put to the supreme test and organizations much older and financially stronger are feeling the strain, but, as with us, the loyal Alumni are coming to the rescue.

THE ALUMNI Many of our men have seen this opportunity to help, and through their efforts several chapters have been strengthened and others saved from total collapse this fall. Nearly every Alumnus called upon has responded in a way that shows that the idea of service instilled by our Ritual has been properly absorbed. Are we to be embarrassed simply because we lack in numbers? Have you done your part in getting chapters started? your own or any other that you happen to be near? Under the new conditions the boys are in urgent need of older heads to help solve their problems. Do not wait for them to seek you, but look them up.

When peace comes and the chapters are again building up, the good that can come from Alumnus help will prove to be immeasurable, and we shall look for just as many willing and efficient workers as have responded at this time.

The regular Monthly Report System will be somewhat upset this year, but every chapter should send in a report for September, giving a list of men returned, and through whom the Grand Chapter may be able to communicate with them. If no meetings are being held or initiations taking place, a notation to this effect should be made. This information will assist us materially in getting the chapters started next fall.

MONTHLY REPORTS

This may be the only issue of the Journal for this session that will contain Chapter Letters, and an effort is being spent to make it just as attractive as ever. Many

THE chapters have responded with letters, so that
JOURNAL we have first-hand information regarding the conditions at the institutions from which they come. In the case of those that have not been heard from, we are left to the conclusion that they are out of commission.

An effort will be made to publish a Journal of some sort for the balance of the session, giving as much information as available about college and fraternity matters.

The Grand Chapter finances have been very materially affected this year by the failure of chapters to initiate. However,

the central office can be maintained if the
 1917-18 chapters will pay up their accounts in full.

BALANCES Attention is called particularly to a few chapters, which, under the unusual conditions at the time of closing last spring, went home without paying the Grand Chapter accounts in full. Delinquent chapters please take notice.

A most peculiar situation has developed in most of our chapters this session. On account of the S. A. T. C., the old fraternity life is virtually abandoned and our

PER men find themselves in about the same position
CAPITA as a "stray Greek." The chapters are disrupted, and it may be that after the October

Journal no more chapter letters will appear this session. The central office is going to try to keep in touch with all conditions and chapters, with the view to making a good start next session. It will take considerable money in order to do this, but if every man in college pays his per capita this session, the work can readily be done. In this way the burden will be distributed and no active man will be without funds during the session, because he will be paid to attend college and his usual expenses will be defrayed by the government. It is to be hoped that all active men will attend to the payment of the per capita at once.

The Cradle of Sigma Phi Epsilon

Among the unexpected changes growing out of the war situation is that of the government's action in taking over Richmond College, with the view to using its buildings and grounds as a hospital for the treatment of soldiers just returned from the battle fronts of Europe. In its issue of Friday, October 4, 1918, the *News Leader*, of Richmond, Va., states: "The capacity of the United States army hospital at Westhampton probably



Ryland Hall—Old Richmond College

Where the first $\Sigma \Phi E$ meetings were held

will be doubled, it was learned today. At present the hospital will accommodate 1,000 patients. With a view to increasing the number of beds to 2,000, plans for the construction of additional buildings are now being considered. Government inspectors have been at Westhampton studying the situation and, while no definite appropriation has been made for additional buildings, it is expected that this step will be taken shortly."

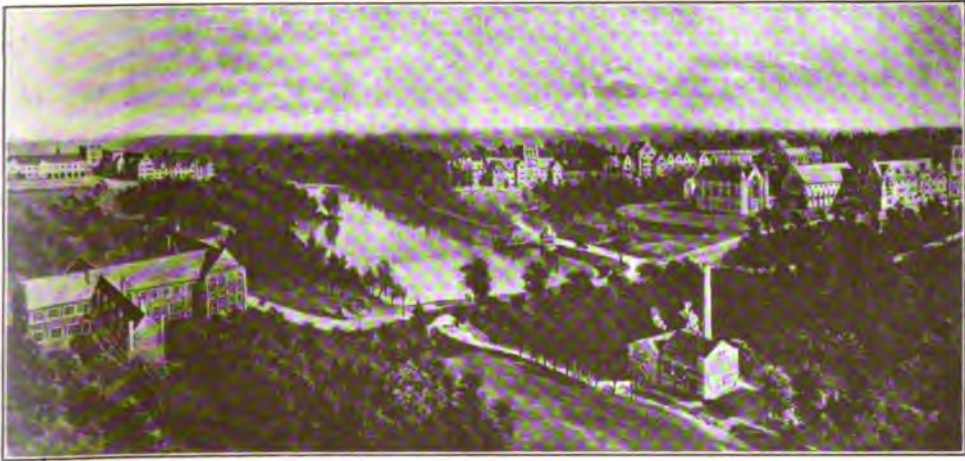
"The first overseas patients, less than a dozen men, are under treatment at the Westhampton hospital, it was stated today by Major A. H. Crosbie, commandant of the reservation. All of the first contingent of cases from the war zone are medical cases. None of these men were wounded overseas," said Major Crosbie. "They are men who were not very strong and who contracted illnesses while serving abroad. All are convalescent, and I expect that when they have been discharged from the hospital, they will be assigned to limited service in this country."



James Thomas, Jr., Hall at Richmond College

Much interest attaches to this move for several reasons. Among these is the fact that the site of the college is comparatively new, having been occupied only since September, 1914, when the institution was removed from its old location at Broad and Ryland streets. Additionally, the site affords a singularly fitting place as a retreat for the sick and injured. The buildings, chiefly of brownstone and constructed after the Gothic style of architecture, are situated a short distance from Westhampton, one of Richmond's most popular places of suburban residence. So it is that, standing on the campus, a person may obtain, on the one hand, a distant view of township and, on the other, a wide reach of countryside, while beneath him, through the spaces of the treetops, he can glimpse the historic James River as it flows on its way to the sea.

In the matter of scenic environment a more ideal place could not have been selected for the purpose to which the government will assign Richmond College. But it is not in point of physical features that the subject of the institution's temporary conversion into a military hospital will most interest the members of Sigma Phi Epsilon, but rather because it is the home of their fraternity's initial chapter; for it was in the brick dormitory (known as "The Cottage"), situated on the west

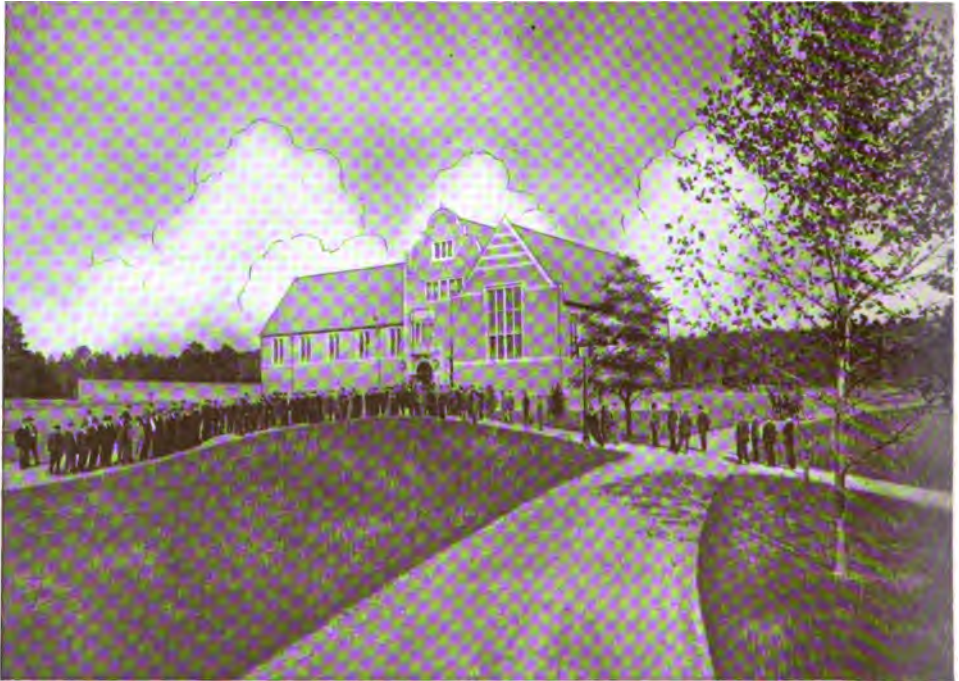


Bird's-eye View New Richmond College

side of the former campus that Brothers C. A. Jenkins, B. D. Gaw, T. T. Wright, W. A. Wallace, W. H. Carter and W. L. Phillips first conceived the idea of establishing a new Greek-letter organization. What handicaps these brothers had to suffer and the numerous obstacles they were forced to overcome in achieving their object, is a matter well known to those at all acquainted with the early history of the fraternity. Yet, undismayed by the price of victory, they immediately set forth to publish a magazine, the one thing above all others that should acquire for their organization a speedy recognition in the Greek-letter world. So zealous were the ones entrusted with this work, that they determined to publish the magazine at the very

earliest moment, the result being that the first issue of the Journal had to rely for volume upon a wide range of subjects, some of which were scarcely covered by the premises.

However, Sigma Phi Epsilon possessed an organ, and though a somewhat discordant one, we believe that it has long since



The Rectory

struck the right note. But pondering the matter at still greater length, we can derive comfort from the fact that the world's rulers have been obliged to take a few undignified tumbles in learning to walk, and if it lay entirely within the power of Sigma Phi Epsilon, some few of them would accelerate their present gait. For it is the fighting spirit of our fraternity, the one that steeled its founders against the barbs of opposition,

inspired Brother W. L. Phillips to carry on his work of publishing the Journal at a time when the scarcity of material would almost cause him to despair, and when he himself was more than once compelled to help set the type for its pages.

Looking back upon those memorable days, it is but natural that the older members of Sigma Phi Epsilon should cherish a peculiar sentiment for the original site of Alpha Chapter. For this reason we are appending a brief historical sketch of Richmond College, clipped from the institution's "Bulletin," of June, 1918.

"The institution now known as Richmond College developed out of 'The Virginia Baptist Seminary,' established in 1832. The seminary at first accepted only candidates for the ministry. Rev. Robert Ryland, the first president, was assisted by two instructors. The number of students the first year was fourteen. The small wooden buildings were bought with the piece of farm land and were unsatisfactory.

"In 1833 the Seminary was removed to 'Columbia,' the Haxall homestead just west of the city limits. In this eligible location the school grew steadily. March 4, 1840, a charter was granted by the Legislature and the name was changed to 'Richmond College.' On account of inability to offer immediately adequate courses of instruction, no degrees were conferred by the College until 1849. Between this date and 1861, when classes were suspended on account of the war between the States, degrees were granted to sixty-eight young men. Dr. Robert Ryland continued as president until 1866.

"As a consequence of the war the College endowment was lost, the library destroyed, and the buildings all but wrecked. Nevertheless, the trustees, encouraged by the gift of \$5,000 for maintenance by James Thomas, Jr., elected Rev. Tiberius Gracchus Jones, D. D., as president for three years. For the next twenty-six years the headship of the College was held by a Chairman of the Faculty. Professor Bennett Puryear, L.L. D., was chairman 1869-1885, and again 1889-1895, and Professor H. H. Harris, L.L. D., was chairman 1885-1889. Among the notable men who gave the College distinction during this period were the two chairmen and Professors E. B. Smith, Edmund Harrison, J. L. M. Curry, A. B. Brown, W. D. Thomas, John Pollard, C. H. Winston, and Secretary Charles H. Ryland. In

1873 and again in 1881 there were successful campaigns for money, which provided new buildings and gave the nucleus of a new endowment. In 1894 the trustees re-established the presidency of the College and elected to the position F. W. Boatwright, at that time the youngest member of the faculty. Despite many difficulties there was steady growth. A Science Hall and a large dormitory were erected, and under the leadership of Dr. W. E. Hatcher, President of the Board of Trustees, \$100,000 was added to the endowment.

"In 1898 women were admitted to college classes. The restrictions upon matriculation of women did not prevent a slow but constant increase in the number of women students. It soon became evident that better provision should be made for women students. A five-year campaign, undertaken jointly with the Virginia Education Commission, and with the co-operation of the General Education Board of New York, added half a million dollars to the resources of the corporation. By 1910 the trustees began to build two co-ordinate colleges in the western suburbs of Richmond and to prepare for removal. The buildings were completed in 1914 and the first session of the Greater College began in September, 1914."

S. A. T. C. and Fraternities

The following notice was received from the Executive Committee of the Interfraternity Conference just as we were going to press:

"The War Department, considering that fraternity activities are incompatible with military discipline in the very nature of things, feels that it is in the best interest of the service that they be suspended in institutions where units of the Students' Army Training Corps have been established, for the period of the present emergency. By 'fraternity activities,' as above used, is meant the social side of fraternity life—the living of the members together in fraternity houses and the functions and meetings of a social and ceremonial nature.

"Realizing, however, that some fraternity organization must be kept intact to assure the resumption of fraternity activities

when the present emergency has passed, the War Department will interpose no objection to the holding of such meetings as are of a purely business nature."

In explanation of the above the following was issued:

New York, October 14, 1918.

To the Members of the Interfraternity Conference:

Since our circular letter of October 7th, many inquiries have been received concerning the construction to be put upon the language of the ruling of the War Department.

Whereupon, a meeting of the Executive Committee was held on October 10, 1918, and the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of the Executive Committee of the Interfraternity Conference, the memorandum of the Committee of the War Department on Education and Special Training, dated September 30, 1918, and confirmed on October 4, 1918, permits the pledging and initiation of men, provided all ceremonials and social activities are omitted; that the War Department will interpose no objection to business meetings held, to the end of conserving fraternity organizations for resumption after the war.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee recommends that any action under or pursuant to the foregoing resolution should be taken by any chapter of any fraternity only after conference and in co-operation with all other chapters of all other fraternities in the same institution, and also after conference with the authorities of the institution itself.

The Executive Committee earnestly urges absolute co-operation and co-ordination by all chapters of all fraternities; that meetings be held in the room of some member or of an alumnus and that no regular meeting or lounging place be maintained especially for meeting purposes.

By order of the Executive Committee.

JAMES DUANE LIVINGSTON,
Henry H. McCorkle, Chairman.
Secretary.

"The Patriarch"

(Concluded)

By ELLISON HARVEY

Synopsis of Preceding Installments

Old man Canby, a wealthy cattle breeder, argues that no man can be worthy of recognition unless he is married; but the only maiden to whom he would entrust the future of his son is Lola Campion, whose brief career at Vassar has made her fastidious on the subject of all institutions pronounced "Varsity." To measure up to her taste, the old man forwards his son to an eastern university, where his age readily begets him the title of "Dad." Totally unprepared for the life before him, "Dad" suffers an ignominious failure, in which he receives the sympathy of his landlady's daughter, for whom he conceives a genuine affection. Therefore, when young Howland, better known as the "Mink," proposes that "Dad" shall take Mildred to the drill given by the University Battalion, before her recognized suitor arrives, "Dad" is elated and leaves it with his friend to arrange the appointment, while he goes off to spend the rest of the afternoon at the "Green Cloth Pool and Billiard Parlors." On his way he encounters a motorcyclist, whose strange actions are made more pronounced when he is observed to be "fair-haired, heavy-jawed Teutonic!"

The incident is soon forgotten, however, and "Dad" goes on to the pool parlors, where, after losing all the games, he returns to his boarding-house, there to find that the "Mink" has arranged the appointment. The next day he undergoes such a reformation in both appearance and dress, that Mildred declares she can scarcely recognize him. It is therefore with jubilant spirits that he witnesses the drill, at the close of which appears Courtenay, whose insolence, starting from that moment, continues into the evening, when "Dad," overhearing Mildred abused on his account, boldly faces his rival. Blows might have been exchanged except for Mildred, whose interference causes "Dad" to realize the gross impropriety of the scene, and, heart

sick, he wanders out into the night, there to be arrested by a light flashed from Science Hall, and the next moment to hear a "clink of steel, and out of the darkness of the tree-enclosed road appeared the lone motorcyclist!"

"Dad" watches the stranger as he rides up to the front of the building, where, leaving his motorcycle, he whistles softly. His answer is a light flashed from a window above, and soon Professor Holbein admits the stranger, closing the door after him. Thoroughly roused, "Dad" contrives to fasten his belt to the end of the fire-escape, and thus to draw himself up to the lower platform. Then, cautiously, he makes his way upward, finally concealing himself behind a shutter of the window whence he had seen the light flashed. Attracted by the noise outside, Holbein opens the window and looks about him. Reassured, he moves back into the room, leaving the window partly open. This enables "Dad" to overhear what goes on inside the room, and he learns that Holbein has been studying the potential military strength of this and other universities. But when the visitor demands the written data, the professor, conscious-stricken by the thought that he is about to betray those who have always been his friends, starts to tear up the papers. At this move the stranger, who has declared himself to be Anton Gratz, former merchant of Stuttgart, leaps forward to strike him over the head with the same pistol that "Dad" had seen once before. "Dad" cannot stoop to raise the window. The action would make him a target for the man, who, turning suddenly, covers him with the revolver. So, with rare presence of mind, he stands erect, looking his enemy in the eye. Then, letting go one foot, he kicks in the window, showering the latter with bits of broken glass. Before Gratz can recover from the trick, Holbein switches off the lights. At the same moment a tongue of flame pierces the darkness, and a pane of glass is broken at "Dad's" back.

Dazed by the flash, his ears ringing with the shot, "Dad" stood still, blinking at the darkness. But it was only for a moment. He knew that the man who had been desperate enough to make one attempt upon his life would not hesitate at another. There was proof of this in the sudden current of air against his cheek, warning him that an arm was in search of its mark. It would find it, too, if the same presence of mind

that had so lately come to his rescue should fail him at this moment.

So he who had acquired the Indian trick of listening with his ear to the ground, who had been taught to dig a bridle-hitch for his pony, now slowly crouched to his knees, waiting with baited breath for the ominous wind that should enable him to locate the other man. When at last it did come, he lunged forward, striking Gratz such a blow that the revolver was knocked from his grasp, and to avoid falling against the edge of the table, he was forced to grapple with the onrushing westerner.

It took "Dad" but a moment to find out that he was battling with one whose size and strength were a match for his own. Besides, the other began to display a certain amount of science, something he had ever been wont to ridicule. But now he was compelled to change his mind, as he felt his neck twisted, his hands doubled up under his armpits. Yet he struggled on, blindly, frantically, his legs growing weaker, his face dripping blood.

To Holbein, still backed against the wall, the fight was hardly more than a shuffling of feet and a panting of breaths. These noises, he imagined, came from "Dad," who was being mauled and dragged by the heavy Gratz. And on his account, too! Canby, whom he had maliciously termed "Der Patriarch," was perhaps sacrificing his own life to save his. The thought stung, maddened! He was tempted to plunge between the wriggling, squirming bodies that were now making their way in his direction, when, suddenly turning, he flung open the door, and the two stumbled into the corridor outside.

"Hold to him, Canby!" cried Holbein. "I will help you, mein freund!"

But the only sound that came back to him was the thudding of plaster dislodged from the opposite wall. "Dad" had delivered a stinging blow, almost upsetting Gratz. But the latter lost no time in steadying himself; and in another moment they were moving through the unlighted corridor, when "Dad" found himself whirled round, felt his heels slip from under him. Instantly something hard struck him across the spine. A clattering noise threatened to break his ear-drums. Then he began

to slide downward, at lightning speed, and with the weight of the other man's body across his own.

It struck "Dad" that he had never been rendered quite so helpless. For a time his eyelids refused to open, and when they did, he was amazed to behold a crowd of students bending over him. Among them he recognized young Howland and heard him say: "This is a mess, believe me! Some of you fellows run back to the foot of the stairs and check old "Whole Bean." He's talking all sorts of "hop" stuff. Must have gone out of his head and started something rough."

"All right," assented one of his companions. "You stay here with 'Dad.'"

But before the speaker had taken six steps, the "Mink" halted him with a gesture. "Lock that door!" he commanded. "The key's on the inside. Quick! I hear a motor cop already!"

"Motor cop!" At this speech everything came back to "Dad," and he tried to rise to his feet. But it was no use! His legs refused to support him. Worse still, he knew that Gratz had escaped!

Aftermath

The average man would rather watch a dog-fight than attend a lecture; while there are few women who will not miss the last car in order to buy a paper containing the latest developments in a breach-of-promise suit. Equally strange is the quickness with which these and all other sudden forms of excitement are dismissed from the mind. This proved to be so in the case of Thomas Madison Canby and Professor Adolph Holbein, which, when heard before the university's Board of Trustees, fell short of being the sensation expected of it.

It is probable that the police had foreseen this result when they declined to prefer against "Dad" so much as the technical charge of "disturbing the peace." In fact, the desk sergeant had been heard to remark, that "perhaps old Dutch had taken on a few."

This ended the matter with the "bluecoats," who had been drawn to the campus by a number of excited students, themselves attracted by the shot fired in Science Hall. But the Uni-

versity Board refused to accept so mild a view of the case. Moreover, they had not gone far into their investigation before they learned of the irony that Professor Holbein had sometimes used in addressing "Dad," and the motive which this would have seemed to furnish the latter in attacking the older man with the long-barreled revolver picked up from the laboratory floor.

It was at this point in the proceedings that Holbein broke a studied silence. First, he protested against the doors being left open, and when these had been shut against a morbid group clustered outside, there followed a recital the exact nature of which may never be known to the general public. Suffice to say that a quarter of an hour later found "Dad" walking up the gravel pathway to the Lyle cottage.

Mildred was waiting on the veranda. Like every one else, she had heard all manner of rumors; also that "Dad" had nobly acquitted himself under what had threatened to be very damaging circumstances. That was all she knew, or even cared to know on the subject. "Dad" likewise showed no disposition to refer to it; and when they had strolled into the darkened study, he carelessly inquired something about Courtenay.

"Oh, he's gone," she replied, with an indifferent shrug. "I don't suppose he'll be back again, either."

Something in this speech caused "Dad's" heart to leap. "I'll be going too," was all he could think to say.

"Yes?"

"Maybe to war—after a bit. They're going to raise the draft age, I hear."

"I've heard the same."

"But of course I'm headed for home just now."

"It's a long trip, isn't it?" she inquired.

"Yes. Over two thousand miles."

"Lonesome ride, too, I imagine."

"Yes, but everything'll seem that way to me now." He had spoken, though he scarcely realized it, so busy was he in twisting his collar and clearing his throat. "But you know what I mean?"

She glanced at him with a new smile—one she must have been keeping in reserve for this particular moment. "I—I think I do," she replied, coyly, the wisdom of Eve gleaming in her eyes. "But it need not be so, need it?"

As she said this, the smile reappeared and he yielded to its witchery. His arms reached out, awkwardly perhaps, but still they found the object of their desire, and for a time they remained gazing up at the portraits of the bilious Erasmus Buchanan and the ferocious General Groner. Then he suddenly broke into a grin.

"Why, what has struck you?" she inquired, slightly withdrawing from him.

"Oh, nothing much," he explained. "Just thinking of that team up there on the wall. What you call 'aristocracy,' aren't they?" And without waiting for her reply, he began to address himself to the portraits. "It's all right, gentlemen! I'm going to be one of the gang!"

She stared at him a moment, laughed, then hid her face in his coat. Nor was the picture without its background. The "Mink" and Mrs. Lyle had quietly entered the room.

Sigma Phi Epsilon Banquet

San Francisco

Brothers of our western chapters had a great chance to get acquainted at the R. O. T. C. Camp that was held at San Francisco during the summer months. There were twenty-seven brothers in the camp and equally as many alumni in the other camps around the city.

On June 29th the fraternity held a banquet at the Clift Hotel, after which toasts were given, songs sung to the fraternity, and the time spent in getting acquainted.

C. H. Jensen, of California Alpha, District Deputy of the Eleventh District, acted as toast master and was assisted by C. A. Phillips, of Washington Alpha.

Talks were given by Captain "Duke" Cochrane, of California Alpha, on the war situation, and by Donald English, of California Alpha, on the fraternity situation at the present time.

Afterwards talks were made by brothers of each of the western chapters.

P. L. Sites, Colorado Beta.

G. G. Mitchell, California Alpha.

C. A. Phillips, Washington Alpha.

J. L. Horner, Colorado Gamma.

E. M. McLaughlin, Montana Alpha.

C. L. Firestone, Oregon Alpha.

Much credit must be given to Brother Mitchell, who arranged for the whole affair.

The following brothers were in attendance at the camp or banquet:

Colorado Alpha—C. P. Henderson, W. McK. Greig, C. W. Fulghum, T. H. Clarke, E. L. Scott, A. J. Holm.

California Alpha—H. W. Cochrane, R. L. Flannery, C. H. Jensen, Donald English, Geo. G. Mitchell, R. T. Aitkin, C. B. Baker, C. F. Awalt, O. R. Bailey, C. L. Thiele, T. E. Glazier.

Colorado Beta—E. W. Geary, H. W. Chase, S. E. Hopkins, P. L. Sites, K. A. Hill.

Washington Alpha—J. S. Marr, W. B. Smith, A. P. Croonquist, H. J. Cundy, W. P. Shirk, W. M. Byers, E. V. Hamilton, C. A. Phillips.

Colorado Gamma—J. L. Horner, A. T. Bennett, W. Shumacher.

Montana Alpha—R. H. McLaughlin.

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Some Brothers "Over There"

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Brig.
Lawson, Edward G.. Cornell, '13..... Lt. R. C. A. A., Porta
San Pancrazio, Rome

- Lynde, R. P. Norwich, '11. 1st Lt. San. Corps
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- McFadden, Arthur J. Penn. State, '17. Friends Unit, 53 rue
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**A CONCUR-
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OF OPINION**

Except as coming from one of his eminent station in life, the words of President Hadley are scarcely worthy of note. They merely bespeak the view of every person or organ that has given to this subject the earnest reflection which its nature should compel. Even the Journal has proved no exception to the general rule, for, referring to the March issue, one will find these words: "There is a very strong appeal from certain quarters that students should remain at college, instead of rushing precipitately into war, especially since it is agreed that trained, or educated men are perhaps more essential to the ultimate triumph of the Allied cause than mere numbers."

True, President Hadley exceeds the Journal's view in that he anticipates post-bellum conditions. But do not the arguments set forth by the Journal in regard to the present state of affairs apply equally to those that will obtain after the war? In reasserting our view on the subject, we must urge all those who are not of the draft age to remain in college, as, by doing so, they may be serving a purpose just as high as that of occupying a place on the battle-front.

"Truth is stranger than fiction," because there would be none of the latter unless for some foundation in fact, and fact, as viewed in the light of present happenings, begs every resource of the imagination. This is especially true as one reflects upon the German system of espionage, so adroitly planned in many instances, that not only has it been difficult to trace the source or presence of alien enemies, but it has caused painful embarrassment to thousands of those who, like their fathers before them, have been among the most loyal and worthy of American citizens.

**LET IT BE
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STOOD**

In view of these facts, what more natural than that these conspiracies, operating among the various war agencies, should extend to the very places whence our future armies must derive their numbers? And it is likewise but reasonable to assume that among these there will be found a power equally resistant to the forces of tradition as it is firm in the love of an adopted country. That such has already proved to be the case requires only a glance over the national army roll, in which there are thousands whose names imply a Teutonic descent.

"The Patriarch" deals not with persons, but a condition, attention to which has been brought to the author by the numerous cases wherein espionage has been practised right under the very noses of those who have been wont to discredit the existence of such a thing. About the matter, however, the author wishes to disclaim anything of a personal nature. As a matter of fact, he boasts a number of German friends for whom he has always maintained the deepest amount of respect and, in some instances, genuine affection. But that is impertinent! The whole matter resolves itself down to one question: are we so much at war with Germany as against Kultur?

Facts are brazen things that seek the tiresome company of figures, making a combination that often verifies Keats' statement that "the good die first," and explaining why so many others drift to the "red house on the hill." But there are times when we must look these disagreeable companions in the face, even though they may slap back at us. This is one of those times, and it has to do with the Conclave, any plans for which should be laid with due regard to the following circumstances and conditions.

In the fiscal year, 1916 and 1917, our fraternity, while installing a number of new chapters and accomplishing much general good, was accordingly put to a heavy expense, which required twelve months of rigid economy and active concentration of labor to offset. For those who may not have seen a statement of the fraternities' accounts, it will suffice to say that, notwithstanding the improved financial condition, the actual cash on hand is necessarily low and will continue to be for some time to come.

If, inspite of these facts, it is decided to hold the Conclave, there are two things that we would venture to suggest. One is that every delegate shall defray his own expenses, and the other is that the entertainment features shall be just as inexpensive as may be deemed consistent with the nature of the occasion. In these respects we shall merely have conformed to the universal practice of the times, when a dollar is made to go a long way, and then toward no function so elaborate as to make us seem unmindful of our brothers on the battle-front. But let us reserve discussion of the subject. What we have said is tentative only.

Chapter Letters

VIRGINIA ALPHA

RICHMOND COLLEGE

J. T. Onley

The happy days of our summer vacation are past and October 1st found two of us back to start activities for the present year.

We are sorry to report at the time of this writing that C. M. Hull is in the hospital with Spanish influenza, leaving J. T. Onley to uphold the interests of Sigma Phi Epsilon. But we are glad to say at the time of this writing that Brother Hull is much better, and we trust that in a few days he will be back with us.

R. N. Stephens, M. G. Billups and S. F. Bowman are very successful in the service of Uncle Sam, the first two received commissions at Plattsburg last summer, and Brother Bowman is at Harvard studying radio.

Owing to the government's request that fraternities cease their activities until the close of the war, the Interfraternity Council disbanded fraternities for this session.

We trust after the war is over that we will be able to come back and begin activities with double force.

In conclusion, we extend our best wishes to our sister chapters for a successful year.

WEST VIRGINIA BETA

UNIVERSITY OF W. VA.

F. W. Roby

West Virginia Beta sends greetings to her sister chapters and extends the hope that in these trying times not a single chapter will cease to exist as one among the leaders of all college activities.

With the return of eleven brothers our prospects for a successful year are good. We have succeeded in pledging ten of the best freshmen in the university. Due to a faculty ruling, it will not be possible to initiate any of our pledges until next

semester. However, there has been an attempt made by all the fraternities to have this requirement removed, and if such be true, we hope to be able to introduce to the fraternity our new men in the next issue of the Journal.

A letter has just been received from J. C. Henderson, of Virginia Epsilon, recommending two friends of his who are here in college. We shall take pleasure in looking up these men and desire to extend to Brother Henderson our thanks.

Of our last year's men the following have answered the call to the colors: A. W. Lass, M. L. Cobun, J. V. Harrick, L. S. Cornwell, H. H. Kerr, F. C. Weimer, P. E. Amos, H. C. Compton, L. C. Padden, A. F. Vierheller, E. C. Bennett, D. C. Graham, Ed. Daugherty, and G. M. Daugherty.

R. D. Harman and W. E. Hill were students at Ohio State during the summer term, and while there they lived in the Sigma Phi Epsilon house. They cannot say too much of the brotherly treatment they received while there, and we wish to extend to Ohio Gamma a special greeting.

Don Riggle, of Middlebourne, spent several days with us this week. While here he made application for officers' training camp.

The S. A. T. C. claims eight of our eleven men. So far we have been permitted to live in our own house. It is our sincere hope that we, as brothers bound by the wonderful spirit of one of the grandest fraternities, may keep the old bunch together without lowering the standard in this war time.

In conclusion, West Virginia Beta extends to all her sister chapters a most cordial and fraternal greeting, with best wishes for a successful year.

ILLINOIS ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

W. A. Gehlbach

Sister Chapters, Attention! The old fraternity life of yesterday at Illinois is but a memory, for today we are all brothers-in-arms. Our chapter house has been leased by the university and has been turned into a barracks for the housing of members of the S. A. T. C. Some of our men have been assigned to the house, some have been stationed at other houses about

the campus. The chapter expects to rent a suite of rooms somewhere near the campus, where we will hold our meetings and gather for the social times we hope to have in the short period allotted to us.

The summer months have brought us to know the horror of war, for one of our own brothers was killed in an aviation accident in France. Our first gold star honors the life and deeds of Louis Irving Phillis, '18, Lieutenant Signal Corps, killed at Tours, France, July 19, 1918. Lieutenant Phillis was attached to the same unit as Quentin Roosevelt.

The same summer months have brought us good news. Robert E. Cushman has been elected to fill the chair of Assistant Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Brother Cushman has also published several University Bulletins relating to the war. We also have word from I. W. Turnquist, '18, stating that his division has arrived safely overseas. Brother Turnquist is a Sergeant, Intelligence Company, 341st Infantry. Robert Cessna, '18, has been sent to Camp Dix, Dallas, Tex., to stay until assigned to a flying field. Brother Cessna has successfully completed his ground school work. Henry Lundburg, '18, and Ray Snoddy, '16, are also at a flying field, after having completed their work here. Arthur Olsen, '18, has been assigned as a lieutenant to the staff of the 26th Brigade Infantry, stationed at Camp Lewis, Washington. P. W. Freark, '16, has left for overseas service. We have not heard from him since embarkation. Before leaving Camp Robinson Brother Freark was given a sergeancy in artillery. B. G. Field has been given the duties of a corporal, First Replacement Engineers, Washington. D. C. Roy T. Anderson, '20, attended the two camps at Fort Sheridan this summer and has received a lieutenancy, field artillery, now stationed at Camp Taylor. Word has been received from R. L. Morse, '19, now with the Twenty-third Engineers overseas. Bob is having a good time helping build the road to Berlin. M. H. Cable, '19, sergeant field artillery, is also on the front line now throwing thunder bolts at Fritzie. W. S. Bowles, '19, is a first lieutenant now in aviation at Ellington Field, Texas.

The scholastic report of last semester shows Sigma Phi Epsilon well to the front at Illinois. The eight highest of the forty-eight fraternities are as follows:

Sigma Pi, 3.60; Zeta Psi, 3.52; Sigma Nu, 3.46; Sigma Phi Epsilon, 3.40; Psi Upsilon, 3.30; Alpha Gamma Rho, 3.29; Theta Chi, 3.26; Delta Upsilon, 3.24.

Fourth in a list of forty-eight fraternities, "not so worse," is it?

We have opened the year with nine of our old men back.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large:

Initiated October 15, 1918:

Bert Elliott Struberger, '22, Law, El Dara, Ill.

William Moore Murray, '22, Civ. Eng., Springfield, Ill.

Kenneth Hallowell Miller, '22, El. Eng., Springfield, Ill.

Robert Lynn Pollard, '22, El. Eng., Springfield, Ill.

Forest McCool Condit, '22, Law, Springfield, Ill.

Kirby Ayres Henkes, '22, Arts, Springfield, Ill.

Pledging has been very successful and we intend to recruit our chapter to full strength, even though we are tremendously handicapped. We cannot complain because of conditions—Illinois Alpha Active and Alumni stand united for the great common cause—Win the War—any sacrifice we can make, anything we can do to help the cause—we will do cheerfully and gladly. We wish our sister chapters great success in the new year of university and college life.

COLORADO ALPHA

UNIV. OF COLORADO

No word has been received from the chapter. Reports from the alumni in Denver state that several men are back, but from a fraternity viewpoint things are in a chaotic condition.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA

UNIV. OF PENNSYLVANIA

No word has been received from the chapter and a report from J. E. Brayshaw, Delaware Alpha, states that the chapter house is closed.

VIRGINIA DELTA

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY

J. T. Jones

Once again brothers, amid trials and hardships, we greet you. We are few in number, due to the fact that we were hit

hard by the war, but we have the proper Sigma Phi Epsilon pep and confidence, and are sure that Virginia Delta will continue to be the "shining star" and hold the prominent position she has held on the campus in the past.

Those of us back are Alf. J. Mapp and Jas. T. Jones. R. J. Parrish was with us for a while, but not able to enter the S. A. T. C., has left.

We are conducting the rushing season carefully, and the results of our caution are gratifying, as we have already added several of the desired type to pledgedom, and there are still others in view.

We take pleasure in introducing three of these men at this time.

Initiated October 26, 1918:

Alvin Bertrand Richardson, '22, Arts, Franktown, Va.

Horace Henderson Allen, '22, Science, Kenbridge, Va.

James Bathurst Smith, Jr., '21, Science, Sharps, Va.

Within the brief compass of this letter it would be impossible to enumerate all the various activities of the chapter, either in the service or in college. We may say that A. J. Mapp, who graduated last year, is back taking M. A. work. Brother Mapp is a letter man in basket ball and has also been elected president of the Athletic Association. J. T. Jones is one of our seniors, and will no doubt give a good account of himself in literary activities before the year is over. We are expecting much of R. J. Parrish in baseball. He being a monogram man last year. Brother Parrish is also associate editor of the college paper.

In closing, we wish our sister chapters a very prosperous year. Our door is open to all visiting Sigma Phi Epsilons, and we hope to see many of them here this year.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA N. C. STATE COLLEGE

H. W. Bowen

Our greetings go out to all chapters that are fortunate to be running this session, and our sympathies are for those that have had to suspend. This is indeed a time of difficulty for all fraternities in the S. A. T. C. colleges.

An effort was made to get in touch with our nearest neighbor, North Carolina Gamma, at Trinity, but we found that all of our brothers of that chapter had entered the service. We hope that they will return and re-establish the chapter next session.

We are hoping to persuade the faculty to give us permission to initiate our new men, so that the chapter may be perpetuated.

At the beginning of this term we were stronger and better represented than any other chapter on the campus. We returned this session S. D. Lovelace, A. B. Waddell, J. H. Moss, and H. W. Bowen. Brothers Waddell and Bowen have both been called to camp, and it is a matter of only a short time when all of us will be in service. Our only hope seems to be in our alumni, some of whom we have always had near to advise us. This session T. L. Creekmore, District of Columbia Alpha, is located in Raleigh and has been looking after us.

We hope that every member of the fraternity who can will do all in his power to maintain the activity of each individual chapter. All have taken the oath of allegiance to uphold the creed of our fraternity, so let us all stick by our faithful secretary in whatever he may suggest.

OHIO ALPHA

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY

Windsor O. Clark

Ohio Alpha opens amid the confusion and excitement of the new S. A. T. C. and sends a hearty greeting with best wishes for success to all other chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

With eight old men back we are busy trying to make this year one of the best in our history. Four of last year's pledges have returned, and so far three of them have met with the royal purple goat. These, with two new pledges, we are glad to introduce to the fraternity at large.

Initiated September 26, 1918:

Carlin Alexander France, '19, B. S. in E. E., Bartlett, Ohio.
Glenn Johnson, '20, G. C. S., Larue, Ohio.

Lowell D. Beaty, '19, B. S. in E. E., Greer, Ohio.
Initiated September 30, 1918:

John Edmund Pryor, '21, Arts, Lima, Ohio.

Lawrence Edwin Williams, '19, C. E., Bartlett, Ohio.

Several new men have been pledged and we expect to present them in our next chapter letter.

The university wishes to quarter about sixty men in our chapter house, the "Sig Eps" to remain in the house as a fraternity and be included in the sixty. If a suitable rent can be agreed upon we will do this and be able to hold meetings and initiations right along unless we receive orders from the Grand Chapter to stop.

W. M. Trostle, W. O. Clark, H. E. Hobson, and L. A. Trumble have completed the three-months' course at Fort Sheridan and have returned to us. They will act as instructors in the S. A. T. C.

All the men in the house are in the S. A. T. C., with the exception of R. L. Henshaw, who is in the Naval Reserve.

In football H. E. Hobson is at his old place at tackle, W. O. Clark has landed the quarter-back position, while L. E. Frisbee and F. M. Hettish are trying for berths in the backfield.

Recently an election of officers was held, and our officers now are: W. M. Trostle, H. E. Hobson, F. M. Hettish, H. E. Parkin, W. O. Clark and R. L. Henshaw.

Of the number of men in the service we are unable to state, but know it to be around the hundred mark.

In closing we extend our best wishes to all sister chapters.

INDIANA ALPHA

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

H. K. Wood

Despite the abnormal war situation and the confused state of affairs at the university since the beginning of the semester on September 11th, we have succeeded in building up our chapter beyond its usual number. After a very successful rushing season this summer we returned with seventeen active members and twenty-three pledges, each one of whom we feel confident

will fulfill the qualifications of a good Sigma Phi Epsilon. Three of the pledges were sophomores, while the remainder belonged to the 1922 class.

The entire chapter was highly gratified to learn upon its return that the scholastic report for last semester placed Sigma Phi Epsilon in second place among the social Greek letter fraternities. Our average was 82.7%, an increase of four per cent. over our preceding semester's average, and only nine-tenths per cent. below the leader.

Due to the organization of the Student Army Training Corps, and to the fact that we will be compelled to move into barracks soon, the faculty consented to the initiation of all pledges before October 1st, instead of after April 1st, which is the customary date for initiation at this chapter. We are pleased to present to the fraternity at large the following new brothers:

Initiated September 26, 1918:

Eugene Fielding Ehrgott, Ch. E., '21, Indianapolis, Ind.

Walter Frederick Niemeyer, Mech. E., '21, Indianapolis, Ind.

Initiated September 30, 1918:

Raymond Franklin Forbes, Ch. E., '21, Indianapolis, Ind.

Raymond Anton Schakel, Mech. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Herman Frank Hedderick, Ch. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Philip Benjamin Johnson, Mech. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

John Raymond Michel, Mech. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Harold Heed Snoke, Mech. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Bernard Henry Jeup, Ch. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Arthur John Gruenert, Mech. E., '22, Valparaiso, Ind.

John Clemens McCullough, Ch. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Frederick Schmedel Smith, Mech. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Gayle Vincent Polister, Ch. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

George Greenleaf Slater, Mech. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Harold Wright Haskett, E. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Raymond Francis Larson, Ch. E., '22, La Porte, Ind.

Robert Nathan Earll, Mech. E., '22, La Porte, Ind.

John Ralph Fish, E. E., '22, Indianapolis, Ind.

Initiated October 7, 1918:

Frank Smith Miller, C. E., '22, Lima, Ohio.

We have the pleasure of having W. H. Keller in our number, who comes to us from Michigan Alpha; also O. E. Reed, from Kansas Beta, who is Chief of the Dairy Department of Purdue this year.

We held a house dance the first of the season, on September 20th, in honor of our pledges. More than forty couples were present, and the affair was a success in every way.

G. C. Barnaby has recently won a commission as ensign, and an appointment to the Engineers' Officers' School at Annapolis. J. M. Huff and E. J. Kendall received lieutenancies at Fort Sheridan this summer. H. H. Crowe received his call to the Naval Training Station at Great Lakes since the opening of college.

We are proud to announce that all the Sig. Ep. boys here at the house, who were able to pass the physical examination, are now in the service of their country and are subject to call at any time. We have one brother in the Engineer's Reserve, four in the Naval Reserve, and the remainder in the Student Army Training Corps.

As our property will not be taken over, the brothers belonging to the Naval Reserve and Engineer's Reserve expect to live at the house, keeping it open as club rooms for the others while they are in the barracks. We feel that by this means our organization will be held together. However, since the number who will stay in the house is so small, meals will not be served.

Brothers! If you are detailed to Camp Purdue, do not fail to take advantage of our "Hostess House."

NEW YORK ALPHA**SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY**

A card from H. W. Lester states that five men are back. A letter was promised but has not been received.

VIRGINIA EPSILON**WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIV.**

J. F. Strother

Virginia Epsilon has survived the ravages of war a great deal better than we expected it would when our last letter was written. Five men of last year's bunch have returned, and

H. H. Dashiell, who was with us year before last, came back to help us out. E. S. Credle, North Carolina Gamma, and W. W. Cato, Virginia Delta, also joined our forces, making a total of eight men who will carry on the good work.

Our rushing season has gone on at full speed and we now have four fine-looking goats whom we wish to introduce to the fraternity at large as true brothers in Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Initiated October 16, 1918:

William Carey Ferguson, Kimberly, W. Va.
Charles Hunter Watkins, Jr., Richmond, Va.
Arthur Russell McNamara, Whitestone, Va.
James Dewey Ahshire, Beckley, W. Va.

Initiated October 19, 1918:

Carl Edward Johnson, '22, Pre-Medic., Thomas, W. Va.

Initiated October 26, 1918:

Laird Young Thompson, '21, Arts, Lexington, Va.
Alexander Keith McClung, '22, Arts, Rupert, W. Va.
William Henning Darden, '22, Arts, Norfolk, Va.

Washington and Lee was selected by the government to be one of the proud possessors of a Students Army Training Corps. and we are now enjoying the drill and military discipline of soldiers of the United States.

Each member of Virginia Epsilon Chapter is taking an active part in the training, and we have already had several men chosen as non-commissioned officers. Although all the selections that have been made so far throughout the batallion are temporary, we have every reason to believe that Sigma Phi Epsilon will make her usual good showing.

Our service flag now displays twenty-eight blue stars, each one of which signifies a brother faithfully fighting for his country, and one gold star, which we hold in sacred memory of Kiffin Yates Rockwell, who fought so diligently for France before our country entered the war.

In closing, Virginia Epsilon desires to extend to all sister chapters her heartiest wishes for a successful session.

VIRGINIA ZETA**RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE****E. B. Parker**

Virginia Zeta was hard hit by the war conditions this year, and when we returned we were without a house, it having been taken over by the Red Cross for the duration of the war. However, we worked fast and managed to get another house fixed up in time for our goating.

We have eight old men back, H. I. Bowman, W. B. Bowman, R. E. Garland, M. F. Parker, Jr., H. Barnes, R. Blackwell, W. H. Smith and L. W. Diggs.

We were fortunate in securing nine good goats and wish to introduce them to the fraternity at large.

Initiated September 28, 1918:

Harry Asa Gills, '20, Bedford, Va.

George Thomas Mapp, '22, Belle Haven, Va.

Healey Parker Bagwell Rue, Jr., '22, Belle Haven, Va.

Sargeant Prentiss Ward, Jr., '22, Belle Haven, Va.

Thomas Leigh Copley, '22, South Hill, Va.

John Henry Byrd, '21, Wachapreague, Va.

Charles Dunton Hurtt, Jr., '22, Nassawadox, Va.

Teackte Lynwood Whitehead, '22, Nassawadox, Va.

Thornton Maxwell Tankard, '22, Cape Charles, Va.

With a chapter of seventeen to start with, we are endeavoring to surpass our past records. We are fully represented in every phase of college activities and expect to play a big part in military.

W. B. Bowman was elected to fill the first chair left vacant by L. L. Sawyer, who is attending M. C. V. this year. Brother Bowman served in this capacity for a part of a term and the chapter will profit by his experience. A. E. Brewer is in the marines and W. A. Rorer entered University of Virginia this year.

We had L. L. Sawyer, C. M. Lankford and W. L. Dunton with us at the opening of college. C. B. Jones, Virginia Alpha, paid us a short visit, and R. P. Finney was here for the goating. Visits from other brothers would be appreciated.

GEORGIA ALPHA**GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECH.****Edgar F. Champion**

Georgia Alpha wishes to extend greetings for a successful year to all sister chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Despite the abnormal conditions which confront us, we are very optimistic now over our prospects for the coming year.

We regret very much the loss of W. S. Lovell, M. F. Guill, J. T. Whitner, J. W. Vaughn, G. H. Hall, E. G. Jones, E. F. Champion, J. W. Merriman, W. N. Murrah, J. T. Roberts and J. W. Shaw, the first four by graduation and the others to some branch of the service or war work. The following have returned: W. L. Markert, H. G. Stokes, L. D. Ewing, J. P. Baskin, J. W. Mason, C. F. Turner, J. W. Smith, S. W. Milner, J. S. Asbury, B. J. Hill, and W. N. Hulsey.

Our chapter had a very successful rushing season, and as a result we wish to introduce to the fraternity:

Initiated September 21, 1918:

Charles Benjamin Bearden, '21, E. E., Atlanta, Ga.

Richard Abner Guill, '21, M. E., Sparta, Ga.

Flake Anderson Sherrill, '21, E. E., Statesville, N. C.

Henry Lamar Reid, '21, E. E., Atlanta, Ga.

Initiated September 27, 1918:

Ewell Horton Somers, '20, Sp. Arch., Burkeville, Va.

Gus Charles Covington, '21, Commerce, Mayfield, Ky.

Robert Paul Radford, '21, E. E., Mayfield, Kk.

Edward Pope Murrah, '21, Commerce, Columbus, Ga.

Our rushing includes four others that will come in later. In this bunch of freshmen we feel that we have the pick of the flock, and are sure they will all make brothers to be proud of. They are all hard workers.

As for student activities, they will play very little if any part in college life this year, as "Tech" is now a S. A. T. C., which will mean no time for anything but army training. However, we have a pledge "Pug" Allen from Porter Military Academy, who will make fullback on the Varsity S. A. T. C. team, and

C. F. Turner and J. P. Baskin will make the varsity squad. Brother Turner is also captain of the baseball team.

Our commandant has announced that fraternities will not be interfered with except that all men in the S. A. T. C. will have to live in the barracks. We hope to be fortunate enough to have sufficient men out of the S. A. T. C. to stay at the house and keep things moving. In any case, 14 West North Avenue will remain open as long as any other chapter house at "Tech," and we will be glad to receive any visiting Sigma Phi Epsilon.

DELAWARE ALPHA DELAWARE STATE COLLEGE

R. P. Kite

Delaware Alpha sends out its most cordial greetings to all sister chapters. At the time of writing Delaware is closed for a period of ten days, due to the seriousness of the prevailing epidemic.

The opening of college brought great changes in all phases of college life. Rushing was permitted with the request that all initiations be held off indefinitely, and, obeying this request, Delaware Alpha has now twelve pledges who are all typical of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Former Grand Treasurer W. F. Wingett was with us a few days and aided us very materially in getting the chapter well started and securing our pledges.

Both Plattsburg camps were attended by eight Sigma Phi Epsilons of Delaware Alpha. F. B. Carter and W. D. Smith are now commissioned and the remainder have recommendations. With all athletics and social activities abandoned, this letter from Delaware Alpha will necessarily be short. The part which this chapter is taking in this "man's war" is shown by one gold and forty blue stars in our service flag.

In closing, Delaware Alpha pledges herself to "carry on" during the crisis, to the best of its ability and for the betterment of the fraternity at large.

VIRGINIA ETA**UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA****William A. Rorer**

Every one at Virginia is stirred up over the fact that the University has been suddenly turned into a training camp. Many new men have availed themselves of the opportunity to get an education along with military training, and a larger number of freshmen than usual are here. The military matters are now well under way and within a few days everything will be running smoothly.

The fraternities have given over their houses to the government and are co-operating in every possible way to make a successful year at Virginia.

Fraternities may initiate until October 20th, and all are busy looking over new material.

Having given up our house, we secured a room in the Anderson Building for our meetings, and are looking after the business of the fraternity there.

Virginia Eta had nine old men return: C. M. Lankford, P. M. Lewis, E. J. Ottenheimer, L. C. Hickey, Julius Martin, C. R. Brown, J. D. Smith, B. T. Parks, Jr., and W. D. Tilson. Besides these we have two affiliates: J. C. James, from Virginia Delta, and W. A. Rorer, from Virginia Zeta, making eleven men to start with.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity.

Initiated October 6, 1918:

Braxton Lagrand Hancock, '20, C. E., Appomattox, Va.

Oscar Fitzallen Northington, '23, Pre-Med., La Crosse, Va.

We take this opportunity of introducing an initiate whom we failed to list in our last letter.

Initiated April 16, 1918:

William Derrick Tillson, '19, Med., Mizi, Miss.

J. B. O'Neil, now a lieutenant in the medical department of the navy, spent a week with us. Ruben Martin, '18 law, was also with us a few days. He will be located in Washington this session, and we expect him to be with us quite often.

Virginia Eta extends a cordial invitation to all brothers to visit here whenever possible, and wishes all chapters a successful year.

ARKANSAS ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Fay C. Murphy

Things are all topsy turvy at Arkansas this session. We could have handled affairs nicely if the only thing to interfere with our usual plans had been S. A. T. C. The influenza was so prevalent here that over half of the students were in the hospital at one time, and several of our men are still there.

Arkansas Alpha returned seven old members, and their efforts were soon rewarded by a list of sixteen pledges. We have done better along this line than any other chapter in the University. At this time it is impossible to tell when we will initiate.

Chapter meetings are going to be held under difficulties this session, as the men are in the barracks and scattered throughout the various companies. We hope, however, to get together soon.

Several of our men have been appointed non-commissioned officers and we look for several to be sent to officers' training camps soon.

George R. Love, who did so much for Arkansas Alpha last session, is now Associate Professor of Chemistry at Emory College, Atlanta, Ga.

We hope to be able to report the initiation of several men soon.

We extend our best wishes to all chapters and hope that they will be able to keep their organizations intact through this trying session.

PENN. EPSILON

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

J. H. Goodwin

Our men have returned to the University full of pep, with eagerness to get into army life. Owing to the government taking the University over so soon, we had an exceedingly short

but successful rushing season. We now take the opportunity to introduce to the fraternity at large:

Initiated September 27, 1918:

Cortland Ennis Young, '20, C. E., Cape Charles, Va.

August Howard Ziegler, Jr., '22, Bus., Huntington, N. Y.

George Balfour Gelly, '22, Naval Eng., Yonkers, N. Y.

Sylvester Makens Larken, '22, C. E., Norristown, Pa.

Ralph Henry Naile, '22, B. S., Norristown, Pa.

We know these men will make worthy members of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Since our last letter Pa. Epsilon has accomplished several things in college activities. M. A. Manley and C. G. Gilman have been elected vice president and secretary of the Senior Class. C. G. Gilman has the honor of winning his L in lacrosse and the presidency of the Mining Society. E. M. Loeser is the sophomore class athletic representative. Ludlow is on the senior class book committee. M. A. Manley and A. H. Ziegler are out for football. G. M. Brubaker is out for the assistant manager of the Brown & White.

W. J. Arner, R. R. Wentz and T. C. Henneberger have received second lieutenant commissions from Plattsburg and have been assigned to other colleges. J. H. Alden and R. H. Grubbs have returned from Plattsburg and will aid in training our own S. A. T. C.

We extend a cordial invitation to all brothers to visit us when in our neighborhood, and best wishes for a successful session to our sister chapters.

OHIO GAMMA

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

G. A. Rowland

The war is on and we are beginning to realize it more and more each day. Ohio Gamma is doing her bit to fill her honor roll, but in spite of her heavy losses during the past year, she has started the new school year with more "PEP" than ever before. With nineteen old men back and twenty pledges, we

are looking forward to a great year, unless our plans are interfered with because of having to move into barracks.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large:

Initiated September 27, 1918:

Theo. Lawrence Klecker, '22, Medicine, Newark, Ohio.
Raymond Krieger, '21, Commerce, Millersburg, Ohio.
Ralph Dewey Matheny, '20, Eng., Sugar Grove, Ohio.

Initiated October 13, 1918:

William Dovel LeSage, '20, Pre-Med., Huntington, W. Va.
Asa Lorne Middleton, '22, Arts, Martins Ferry, Ohio.
Frank Adolph Wyder, '22, Mech. Eng., Lakewood, Ohio.
Charles Edward Bell, '22, Arts, Cleveland, Ohio.
Francis C. Montgomery, '22, Arts, Cleveland, Ohio.
Albert Lloyd Laisy, '22, Agri., Rocky River, Ohio.
William Price Jenkins, '22, Phar., Dayton, Ohio.
Karl Wilkinson, '22, Elec. Eng., Camden, Ohio.
Arthur Oliver Bower, '22, Agri., Cleveland, Ohio.
Philip Wiley Porter, '22, Arts, Lakewood, Ohio.
Morris Henry Phillips, '22, Commerce, Rocky River, Ohio.
Paul V. Rothenberger, '22, Arts, Napolen, Ohio.
Dwight Louis Mignin, '21, C. E., Stryker, Ohio.
Raymond Hetzel Kasper, '22, Elec. Eng., Columbus, Ohio.

Pledge Hunter was elected to lead the freshmen in the annual cane rush, which they easily won.

In closing, we wish our sister chapters great success in strengthening and upholding the name of Sigma Phi Epsilon during these adverse times.

VERMONT ALPHA

NORWICH UNIVERSITY

J. H. Murphy

Although the war has made conditions unstable, Vermont Alpha had a very favorable opening. We have thirteen old men back and a big freshman class, in which there is plenty of splendid material.

We regret exceedingly the loss of our chapter president, Dean J Almy, who has been commissioned.

The number of men in our chapter who have joined the colors is steadily increasing, and we are planning the raising of a service flag with over seventy stars.

Everything at present looks favorable for a prosperous year. Every one in the chapter is working hard for the advancement of the fraternity, and every one is ready to meet any emergency that may arise under the new regime existing at Norwich University.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity.

Initiated October 27, 1918:

Jess Moore Gill, '22, S. A. T. C., Whitting, Ind.

George Harold Lorimer, '22, S. A. T. C., Chicopee, Mass.

Raymond Madison Huntley, '22, S. A. T. C., Essex Junction, Vt.

Richard Molineaux Tyler, '22, S. A. T. C., Brookline, Mass.

Harold Webster Hodgdon, '22, C. E., Portsmouth, N. H.

James Duane, '22, S. A. T. C., Brookline, Mass.

Philip Jasper Schaifer, '22, S. A. T. C., Middletown, Conn.

Herbert Deane Hoyt, '21, S. A. T. C., Dorchester, Mass.

Lewis Whitney Saunders, '22, C. E., Brookline, Mass.

Charles Wilbur Gray, '22, C. E., Portsmouth, N. H.

Frank William Bacon, '22, S. A. T. C., Middletown, Conn.

James Matthews Dalton, '21, S. A. T. C., Milford, Mass.

Frederick Arthur Whetton, '22, S. A. T. C., Needham Heights, Mass.

Charles Peters Kalil, '22, S. A. T. C., Lawrence, Mass.

Kenneth Paul Bassett, '22, S. A. T. C., Essex Junction, Vt.

Vermont Alpha wishes every one of her sister chapters every success during the year.

ALABAMA ALPHA

ALABAMA POLY. INSTITUTE

C. M. Gray

The opening of the new year finds us with thirteen old men back, all of whom are determined to make the most of our peculiar circumstances.

Last year our four seniors were successful in getting their diplomas, and all are in the service except W. C. McKay, who is with us as a post-graduate.

Including Brother McKay, we have fourteen old men, who are working hard for old $\Sigma \Phi E$. These men have made things look good to us in spite of the circumstances. Their efforts have landed eight good pledges, one of whom has been initiated, and the others just waiting for our opportunity to administer the ideals of fellowship.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity:

Initiated September 16, 1918:

Murray Walsh Dantzler, Jr., '22, Chem. Eng., Montgomery, Ala.

Initiated September 16, 1918:

Archie Jessie Phillips, '22, Elec. Eng.

Initiated October 6, 1918:

William Monzon Stokes, Jr., '22, Elec. Eng., Cardova, Ala.

Fred Dent Turner, '22, Mech. Eng., Seddon, Ala.

Harry Hill Fleetwood, '22, Elec. Eng., Burnwell, Ala.

Initiated October 20, 1918:

John Lewis Morgan, '22, Agri., Birmingham, Ala.

College activities are almost a thing of the past, since we are in government service. In athletics we have C. S. Howard and J. K. Bullock, who have won their places on the Varsity and Turner, a pledge, who is showing up well. In military affairs, C. J. Perryman has been made drum-major and the other fellows are corporals and sergeants.

The government has already taken over our house and furniture, and we are bunking on Uncle Sam's cots. But every fellow is cheerful, because we know we are in good circumstances as far as the chapter goes.

T. H. Burton and C. C. C. Robinson have visited us this year. We were glad to see them and extend a hearty invitation to all our brothers to visit us.

We hope every chapter is able to meet the trying circumstances that confront us all this session.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA DARTMOUTH COLLEGE**J. V. Wilkie**

New Hampshire Alpha was very fortunate in having thirteen brothers return to Hanover this year. The unlucky number didn't seem to have any bad effect on us either, for we managed to assemble one of the most pleasing delegations that we have ever had and one that will compare most favorably with the other fraternity delegations of Dartmouth this year.

While we have not in the past initiated our pledges until they had ten semester hours credit, we were permitted, on account of the unusual conditions, to initiate earlier this session.

Initiated September 29, 1918:

Seth Albert Densmore, '21, Hanover, N. H.
Harold Hutchins Tayntor, '22, Brooklyn, N. Y.
John Campbell Bray, '22, Arlington Heights, Ill.
William Gregory Haas, '22, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Robert Forbes Almy, '22, Fairhaven, Mass.
Osborne Siegfried, '22, Buffalo, N. Y.
Howard Power Almond, '22, Montpelier, Vt.
William Warren Cummings, '22, North Woburn, Mass.

We wish to recommend them all as mighty good fellows. If the usual outside activities are permitted, we know that several of them will be very prominent in the musical and athletic lines especially.

Our officers for this year are: K. C. Bevan, P. J. Halloran, J. W. Taylor, H. L. Miller, J. V. Wilkie, G. A. Haas.

We cannot hope to keep all of our men here through the entire year, and would hope to do so under present conditions, but we regret to see the beginning of the losses. Larry Nardi, after only two weeks stay, received his call to report for service in the marines. Only four of our men attended the Plattsburg Camp this summer, and we are proud to say that three of them have been given commissions and have been assigned to various colleges and army posts. Our two seniors were elected to permanent offices in the senior class. "K. C." Bevan as vice president and Paul Halloran as treasurer. Brother Bevan is also captain and coach of the S. A. T. C. football team, and C. A. Lloyd is acting leader of the band.

D. C. ALPHA**GEO. WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY****George T. Reeves**

The college year at George Washington began September 25th, and the prospects for a successful year are very bright indeed. Brother Harry Strang, who has recently been made Recorder of the University, reports that a record attendance is expected this year, and in view of the fact that so many men have been forced to leave, the University should be more than satisfied.

George Washington will have a Students' Army Training Corps this year, and about 600 students are expected to enroll.

A fact of very great interest to students at George Washington University is that our new President, Dr. Collier, will take up the administration of the University, and in welcoming him to his new position, D. C. Alpha wishes to pledge its hearty co-operation and loyalty to him.

The chapter has been in a very flourishing condition since our last letter. The house has been full to overflowing all summer, and under the guidance of our hard-working house manager, "Pop" Fravel, we have nothing to desire.

We deeply regret the absence of several of our brothers, who have been called from Washington. Dan Logan is at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology studying to be a naval aviator. Tom Lupton recently left for France; Arthur Starr is studying for the field artillery at Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C.; Dowe Whitaker is stationed at Paris Island, and Joe Dietz, who is in the engineering corps, has left for parts unknown. Our best wishes go with all of them. We also wish to congratulate Perry Jeffrey on obtaining a lieutenant's commission in the Q. M. C., and extend our sincerest congratulations to Daniel C. Roper, the announcement of whose marriage in Paris to Mademoiselle Marie Germaine Jeanniat on July 25, 1918, has just been received by the chapter.

We take this opportunity (rather tardily) of announcing the marriage of Dr. L. W. Bowen to Miss Francis Ann Boshier, of Norfolk, Va., which took place early in the year, but notice of which was inadvertently left out of our previous letters. "Doc" knows, however, that our heart is in the right place, and we are sure that he will forgive this oversight.

It is with pleasure that we take this opportunity to introduce to the fraternity at large—

Initiated June 15, 1918:

Wilbur Burson Montgomery, '21, Engineering, Washington, D. C.

Although the summer is usually an off season for fraternity functions, D. C. Alpha has not been entirely without them. During the summer several informal dances were held at the house, which were well attended by the alumni war workers located in the city. Also several canoe parties were arranged, which were in the nature of rush affairs, friends being invited.

We wish our sister chapters the best of success, and extending hearty invitations to all brothers to visit our house at 1829 19th Street, N. W.

KANSAS ALPHA

BAKER UNIVERSITY

Ras E. Johnson

Although our service flag is the largest of any in college, Kansas Alpha is again out in front. Seven of last year's men are back with us. They are F. W. McDonald, W. H. Beck, H. G. Manorgan, F. G. Husted, H. S. Nye, S. Trebelcock and Ras Johnson. The other brothers of last year have answered "the call" and are represented on our service flag of eighty-five stars.

By diligent work we have secured ten fine pledges, whom we hope soon to introduce to the fraternity at large.

We are represented on the football team by five men, W. H. Beck, F. W. McDonald, Ras Johnson (captain) and two of the pledges. All will be playing regularly when the Kansas Conference begins.

Kansas Alpha sends heartiest good wishes to all chapters and brothers.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA**UNIV. OF CALIFORNIA****C. H. Jensen**

When the University opened this fall things looked very bright for California Alpha. We had with us G. G. Mitchell, L. E. Taylor, D. C. Aitken, R. W. Cowlin, H. K. Beresford, C. C. Berwick, G. C. Hensel and C. H. Fishburn. Things seemed to be moving nicely and some pledges had been secured, when a call was made that took our most dependable men. Taylor went to Kentucky, Aitken to Colorado, and the mainstay of the chapter, Brother Mitchell, was sent to Stanford. Beresford was at San Jose and Berwick in the Medical College. However, with our depleted numbers and the assistance of our alumni, a meeting was planned to initiate our pledges, when the City Health Department issued orders that there should be no meetings of any sort, and our initiation has been postponed until after the influenza has been gotten under control.

The S. A. T. C. has taken our house and the furniture has been taken care of by the alumni.

When the alumni call was first made to consider the chapter conditions, only a few responded, but later the active chapter had the pleasure of having with them H. E. Rohlman, R. L. Flannery, L. E. Toney, J. N. Holden, T. A. Harris and C. H. Jensen. These brothers have pledged their support and we feel that California Alpha will come through O. K.

NEBRASKA ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA****William M. Holt**

We are in the midst of induction into the S. A. T. C. and hope soon to be in shape to begin real work. The Spanish influenza epidemic has reached us and two of our men, E. F. Luckey and Pledge Manning, are in the hospital.

Our rushing this year was the best ever, and we succeeded in pledging nineteen of the best men in the University. There were but eight old men back at the beginning of the year, but with the old "pep" and spirit we pushed things through.

"Cliff" Scott left for the West, where he has accepted a position with the State Board of Agriculture of Colorado. How-

ard Bennett is running for Freshman President, and from the latest outlook he is practically sure of being elected. Glenn Gardner and Gayle Grubb are both on the Daily Nebraska staff, and Brother Grubb is in a fair way to become official cartoonist for the Awgwan.

H. H. Bennett and Pledge Pflug are out for football playing regularly on the freshman team.

Several of our older brothers have paid the house visits, among them were Lieutenant Fred Hellner, C. P. O., Ed. Kositzky, Lieutenant John Pickett and Lieutenant Anton Strandberg. We have 112 men in the service now, counting pledges, which is the record at Nebraska.

Social functions have been very limited this year, due to the men all going into training, but a little later we hope to have several large parties.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity:

Initiated October 12, 1918:

Avery Benjamin Pickering, '23, Arts, Lincoln, Neb.

Initiated October 19, 1918:

Chauncey Potter, '22, Eng., Geneva, Neb.

Howard Hasbroock Bennett, '22, Pre. Med., Alliance, Neb.

Arthur William Walker, '20, Eng., Omaha, Neb.

Initiated October 20, 1918:

John William Hollohon, '22, Arts, Lincoln, Neb.

Clifford John McKimmey, '22, Arts, Hildreth, Neb.

Alfred Lee Isham, '22, Arts, Chadron, Neb.

Carroll Arthur Geist, '22, Arts, Ravenna, Neb.

Initiated October 22, 1918:

Leonard Edward Achterberg, '22, Arts, Lincoln, Kan.

Raymond Phil Costello, '22, Arts, Exter, Neb.

Harry Evans Harris, '22, Arts, Auburn, Neb.

WASHINGTON ALPHA WASH. STATE COLLEGE
W. P. Foster

Again Washington Alpha sends greetings to all her sister chapters.

Seventeen of our old men have returned to college and we have pledged eleven rattling good men, who will all be worthy wearers of our emblems.

Our institution, the same as most of the others, has accepted the S. A. T. C., and nearly all of our men have enlisted. They will live in the barracks, but we will maintain the chapter house as long as possible for a meeting place.

Out of one hundred and thirteen brothers in our chapter, sixty-four have enlisted in the service, not including the late S., A. T. C. men. Twenty of these brothers hold commissions.

As yet we only have one gold star on our service flag. This for Lieutenant Lee C. Lewis, who was killed in action in France. We were very sorry to get the news of his death, as he was loved and honored by all who knew him.

C. M. Phillips, R. W. McKenna and Ward Rinehart, our three seniors in Agriculture, are stationed here in the Quartermaster Department, and will probably be allowed to take some college work.

We are very glad to have F. A. Bracket, of Montana Alpha, with us this year.

Athletics will probably be carried on the same as usual this session in connection with the military work. M. McIver, E. I. Jenne, C. C. Schroeder, R. McK. King, H. H. George and Pledge Knack are trying for places on the football team, and we expect great things of them.

Three letters out of seven in track came to the "Sig. Ep." house last spring. Brother Phillips was elected Captain for the coming season. Brother Jenne showed up exceptionally well in the pole vault, clearing the bar at twelve feet. Brother King made his letter in the weight events.

At the time of the next chapter letter we will have several new brothers to introduce to the fraternity at large.

We wish our sister chapters the best luck for the coming year.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA MASS. AGRI. COLLEGE
J. F. Carleton

Massachusetts Alpha sends her greetings and best wishes to her sister chapters.

As a result of the war, we are unable to continue our regular fraternity meetings; however, we are holding informal meetings, and in this way preserving our identity so as to be ready to build up our chapter as soon as conditions are normal again.

The War Department has appropriated our chapter rooms to accommodate the S. A. T. C. men; and all the fraternities at the Massachusetts Agricultural College have been discontinued until after the war. The local Interfraternity Conference voted to have no rushing and pledging of candidates this year, and therefore we have no new pledges.

Just before the close of college last spring, we pledged Joseph Daniel Evers, '21, of Malden, Mass., who is a worthy candidate and will do much for the fraternity.

Since our last letter the following brothers have joined various branches of the service for Uncle Sam:

William Francis Glavin, Arthur Lincoln Chandler, Charles Gordon Mattoon, Vincent Depaul Callanan, Winfield Scott Beauregard, Howard Preston Quadland.

Of our eleven members left in college, ten have enlisted in the S. A. T. C., and the eleventh brother is in the Quartermaster's Reserve Corps.

At an informal meeting Saturday, September 28th, letters from "Cherry" Dodge, '12, and W. S. Beauregard, '20, were read. Both of these brothers are in the service, and their letters were interesting and helpful, showing their interest in the welfare of the fraternity.

There are about 450 students at M. A. C. this fall, and most of them have enlisted in the S. A. T. C. The football schedule has been canceled, probably intercompany football will take its place. Boxing is to be taught as a recreational sport also.

We wish all sister chapters the best of success in college and in service.

NEW YORK BETA**CORNELL UNIVERSITY****K. M. Shaw**

New York Beta wishes to send her heartiest greetings to other chapters of the fraternity and wishes them the best of success in this trying period.

The opening of Cornell as an S. A. T. C. college found our chapter in excellent condition. Twelve of last year's men are back, and all have joined the army, navy, or marine section of the corps. We have an opportunity to start our rushing season with this showing of twelve men as a nucleus, and have had letters from other chapters and from our alumni telling of prospective members.

The house has been taken over as a barracks for the army section of the S. A. T. C., only four members will, therefore, be in the house, as eight have joined the navy and marines. We will have to do all our rushing without the use of the house. The opening of the university for actual work is not until the 10th, and until then or later it will be almost impossible to locate the new men.

Cornell will have no varsity athletics and none of the publications will continue. We will all devote our time and energy to make ourselves better candidates for advancement in Uncle Sam's army of khaki and blue.

We extend our best wishes to all sister chapters.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA**BROWN UNIVERSITY****L. B. Howell**

Another college year has been ushered in, bringing with it many changes in college and fraternity life. Here at Brown all activity along fraternity lines has been abolished. This action was taken after much discussion pro and con, the Interfraternity Governing Board finally passing a resolution by a unanimous vote, "That all rushing, pledging and initiation be discontinued during the period of the war." The University was in favor of such action, as was also the commandant of the S. A. T. C. and the admiral of the naval unit. This will not mean that the fraternities will be abolished at Brown for good, but simply

for the period of the war; in fact, plans are even now being formulated for the resumption of fraternity activities and fraternity life when peace shall be declared.

At present the writer is the only member of Rhode Island Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon left in college, for Brother Lawder, who was in the S. A. T. C., has been sent to the Officers' Training Camp at Camp Lee. In spite of the fact that only one brother will be here to welcome any visiting brother, do not hesitate to call if you are in Providence.

It is with deep regret that we announce to the fraternity that one of Rhode Island Alpha's brothers, Irving Thayer Boardman, has made the supreme sacrifice for his country.

Life at Brown has been very monotonous for the past two weeks, for the University has been under quarantine, and it looks as though our stay in "jail" would last another week or two.

We hope that all chapters in Sigma Phi Epsilon that remain active during the war may have a prosperous year, and overcome the difficulties of these new conditions.

MICHIGAN ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

John F. Jordan

The writing of this letter finds us in new quarters at 432 Thompson Street, in a very comfortable house, smaller, but better suited to the fraternity needs during these war times. We were forced to give up our house at 621 South State Street to Uncle Sam, when the S. A. T. C. was organized at the University of Michigan on October 1st. Everything seemed to come in a rush, so that we were swamped for a few weeks. We are beginning to see the light now though, and the following officers are in charge:

President—James E. Croushore, '21.

Vice-President—George R. Harrington, '19.

Secretary—Glenn H. B. Cummings, '21.

Despite the abnormal conditions, we have pledged thirteen men, whom we expect to initiate on Saturday, October 26, 1918.

We have eighteen actives in the University at present, although many of these men will undoubtedly be leaving for officers' training camps within the next month or so.

Of the active brothers, all are members of the S. A. T. C. with the exception of seven. There are only about three men living at the house, but the boys in the S. A. T. C. use the house for headquarters and as a general meeting place. It has been a great help to the boys as a clearing-house for baggage, extra beds, mail, etc. We were terribly torn up for a week or so, but the fellows all worked hard, and we had a very presentable house.

We are hoping that all our alumni who may come to Ann Arbor this winter will look us up. Also that all $\Sigma \Phi E$ who happen this way will be sure to make 432 Thompson Street their headquarters. We will always have an extra bed for visiting brothers. Our third floor has been given over to storing our excess furniture. We have rented the house at a very reasonable figure, and one which the active chapter will have no trouble in keeping up during the war. The government has taken over our State Street property, and we are hoping that the contract under which it was taken will enable us to keep up our payments on that property. We expect to publish a "Dope Sheet" and will mail it to all our alumni within the next week or so. All our alumni should keep in touch with the active chapter and keep the chapter informed of changes in address.

We hope that all sister chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon are weathering the storm of war in good shape, and that we may have the pleasure of visits from many of our brothers.

IOWA ALPHA

IOWA WESLEYAN COLLEGE

M. McCabe Day

Iowa Alpha greets you in the opening of a new college year. Our chapter is suffering from the effects of the war, as are most of the others, and the installation of a S. A. T. C. camp in Wesleyan has made it doubly difficult to operate. However, Iowa Alpha is going to keep its organization intact and lead in all the activities, limited as they may be.

The opening of the college year found us with only three old brothers. With the aid of two of our founders, C. K. Hayes and Albert Neutzman, we secured two pledges. We wish to introduce them to the fraternity at large.

Initiated September 27, 1918:

Carryl Lewis Johnson, '22, Arts, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

John Leonard Feldman, '21, Arts, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

All of our officers, elected at the close of last year, were absent this year, with but two exceptions. By manipulating the offices and combining where possible we have succeeded in reorganizing on a working basis and are hot in the rushing work.

Due to the late opening of college, we have not secured the majority of our pledges yet, but thus far we have placed the emblem of Sigma Phi Epsilon on three freshmen.

Due to the men living in the barracks, we found it necessary to release our house, but Iowa Alpha will continue its social life among its brothers and pledges as much as possible, for we have rented a room over a store building, which we intend to use as a clubroom.

Conditions are not as promising as they have been some years, but the most crucial period of Iowa Alpha is past, for with five brothers and a good group of pledges we will be sure to weather the storms in our college fraternity life which have been blown up by the war-god.

We wish all the sister chapters of our glorious fraternity a prosperous year. May no organization find it necessary to suspend for the period of the war. By hard work and perseverance we will conquer the obstacles and keep old Sigma Phi Epsilon living during the trying times, giving impetus to college life, such as it may be, and supporting our government in its fight for righteousness.

COLORADO BETA

DENVER UNIVERSITY

E. E. Trout

We are writing these few lines to be published in the Journal, so that our sister chapters may know that we are still alive, and although so many things seemed so unsettled and un-

favorable for the chapter this year. We have opened up our pledge book and have written many names there, all of whom are good men and well worthy of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Since we have a unit of the S. A. T. C. we cannot live in our house, but we hold our meetings at the home of Brother E. E. Trout, 2111 South Filmore Street. All men live in the barracks and are undergoing intensive military training.

We are glad to announce that several of our alumni have won commissions, among them are some of last year's men—E. Allsworth, L. Bingham, G. Bingham, E. O. Preston, E. L. Weinberg, Robert McLear, R. H. Reeves, Jr., and Fred Bunger. A recent report we have received is that Ralph Chase, who was at the head of our chapter last year, is making good in the service.

TENNESSEE ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

Fred Wade

Tennessee Alpha has probably never made a better showing than this year, considering the abnormal conditions in which we and all other organizations have had to face. We have pledged equally as many men as in previous years and are still rushing. With our sister chapters we take the stand that this is the time to try our "metal." We believe it to the interest of this institution and ourselves that we continue, for we realize that the world-war may continue many years.

We regret not to have back with us J. A. Miller and H. C. Sims, but we are proud to see them take their stand for their country. Both are in the United States navy. We are pleased to hear that J. F. Brumback has received his commission as second lieutenant.

At the last term of the past year Tennessee Alpha ranked second in scholarship with the other fraternities here. During the opening days we enjoyed having with us several of our brothers who have gone into the various branches of the service. We are always glad to have our brothers visit us, and to see their interest in the welfare of Tennessee Alpha.

MISSOURI ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI****V. P. Simmons**

At last we find time to write the long-delayed chapter letter. We beg you to overlook the delay in view of the unusually small number of old men in college this year. Each of us has been very busy from the start.

College opened August 30th, and at our first meeting Joe Davies, Verne Simmons, "Dick" Wright, "Puffy" Woodward, "Gus" Dirckx, Lee Tipton, John Black, Moss Davis, "Runt" Spurling, David Robb, "Doc" Hale and Hiram Doolin were present. We were fortunate in having with us during "rush" week three of our alumni—"Slew" Wilson, Dave Banks and "Bill" Denham. We appreciate their assistance and the good spirit they showed.

We have had plenty of material from which to select our pledges, as there are now in college about twelve hundred men, and we feel that in considering new men we have in no way failed to respect the standards of Sigma Phi Epsilon, and we are proud of the thirteen boys who are wearing the little square button.

Two pledges have left college to enter the service, leaving our present strength at twelve members, eleven new pledges and White, who was pledged last spring, but has not yet been initiated. Mitchell Tucker returned to college September 10th.

During the month we have received visits from Glenwood Spurling, of Camp Pike, Arkansas, and F. G. Husted, from Kansas Alpha. Lee Tipton is in Kansas City, having enlisted in the Tank Service. "Slew" Wilson is in St. Louis, at Washington University. Earl Grosbeck is working for the Fairfax Light and Power Co., at Fairfax, Mo. The other men of last year's chapter who did not return are in various camps.

Letters have been received from Lloyd Hall, Paul Koontz, Don Chapman, R. H. Ewing, Lee Carnell, J. C. Haymes, C. A. McCanse and others.

The boys literally "line up" to read these letters.

Dirckx and Pledges Cronin, Stockwell and McClung are certain to be on the Glee and Mandolin Club. G. C. Dirckx is also out for football, and he and J. P. Davies have excellent

chances to make the Varsity. Pledge McClung will hold a place in the line on the Freshman team. Brother Davies has been appointed to the Student Senate and elected secretary and treasurer of that body. "Runt" Spurling is enlisted in the Naval Aviation and is awaiting his call. L. C. (Duke) Ralston was severely wounded in action early in August. We have been unable to get any further word concerning him. He enlisted in the Marine Corps nearly a year ago. David Banks will leave in a few days for the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

From the financial standpoint the chapter is in good condition so far as maintenance is concerned, but the Home Building Fund grows deplorably slowly.

We have prepared a list of the brothers in national service of whom we have any record. Our alumni are requested to look over this list and write to some of the boys every time they have a few spare minutes. There is nothing they appreciate more than a good newsy letter, so let's write to them often and keep them from feeling that they are cut off from all their friends and brothers. Some say that feeling is the only bad feature of army life. Let's let them know that we are just as interested in their joys, successes, pains and disappointments now as we were when they were right here in the $\Sigma \Phi E$ house with us.

If it is possible, the chapter letter will be sent to our alumni at least each month until Christmas, for most of us expect to be here until then. We hope every one the best of luck "over there" or "over here," as the case may be, and assure you that the $\Sigma \Phi E$ morale at M. U. will suffer no decline.

WISCONSIN ALPHA

LAWRENCE COLLEGE

F. C. Rosencrance

Only three of our men returned this session, E. M. Wright, F. S. Williams and F. C. Rosencrance, and it was a long time before we could get our organization into shape. However, this has been accomplished and we are now running with fraternity life adjusted to the S. A. T. C.

There is a large quantity of material in the freshman class and we are sure of getting our usual good share. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity.

Initiated October 30, 1918:

Lee C. Rasey, '13, Appleton, Wis.

We hope to be able to send more information in our next letter, but want everyone to know that Wisconsin Alpha is prospering, even under these trying conditions. We hope all other chapters are equally as fortunate.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA

PENN. STATE COLLEGE

Ralph A. Hooks

Our chapter returned this fall twelve men, but the S. A. T. C. has upset all our calculations for the big year we had planned. Three of our men have been sent to the O. T. C. at Camp Gordon, Georgia. They are John B. Eby, J. W. Brown and George M. Hooks. They were all chapter officers and it was necessary to meet and elect new ones. E. L. Hoffman is now the head of our chapter, succeeding Brother Eby.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large:

Initiated October 26, 1918:

Ralph Oliver Patterson, '22, Commerce, Butler, Pa.

Marlin Curtis Mateer, '22, Chemistry, Mosgrove, Pa.

Russell Reed MacDonald, '22, Commerce, Butler, Pa.

Myles Lewis Thomas, '21, Pre-Law, State College, Pa.

David Birch Baird, '21, Mining Eng., West Philadelphia, Pa.

William Herbert Howe, '22, Mech. Eng., East Smithport, Pa.

Charles Griffith Jones, '22, Mech. Eng., Franklin, Pa.

David Glen Cameron, '19, El. Eng., Oil City, Pa.

Elven Laverne Williams, '22, El. Eng., Kittanning, Pa.

William Russell Ishler, '21, Chemistry, Boalsburg, Pa.

Joseph Albert Glenn, '21, Commerce, State College, Pa.

The new conditions have changed the fraternity life considerably, but Sigma Phi Epsilon at State College is far from being a dead issue.

We trust that all other chapters will pull through successfully.

OHIO EPSILON**OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY****Arlie H. Krussell**

This year finds us at our new location at 133 North Washington Avenue. We have here more spacious accommodations than formerly and are enjoying our new Sigma Phi Epsilon home. But our pleasure will soon give way to sterner demands, for our house is to be used as a barracks under the Students' Army Training Corps plan. There is a feeling of general unrest about the University, and yet every man is determined to succeed in the new opportunity offered by the training corps.

We have found it necessary under the new conditions to hold our initiation before the first of October, as the status of fraternities after that time will be a question.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large the following:

Initiated September 29, 1918:

Thurston O. Shreves, '22, Arts, Lima, Ohio.

Clair Valentine Underwood, '22, Arts, Massillon, Ohio.

Harold Lyburn Davis, '22, Arts, Rainsboro, Ohio.

Harry Roscoe Gompf, '22, Arts, Waldo, Ohio. .

Charles Harold Dever, '22, Arts, Sciotoville, Ohio.

Elston Vorhees Binns, '21, Arts, Elizabeth, N. J.

Ellis Theodore Longenecker, '22, Arts, Laura, Ohio.

Emmet Shafton Glick, '22, Arts, Canal Winchester, Ohio.

Albert Burnell Augustein, '22, Arts, Waldo, Ohio.

Herbert Clifton Graybill, '22, Arts, Masillon, Ohio.

Frew Cecil Boyd, '22, Arts, Coshocton, Ohio.

Harry Thompson Townsend, '22, Arts, Martinsville, Ohio.

We have started the year with a fine showing of men and spirit, but time only will tell how the year will end under the new conditions imposed upon us by the training corps. Fourteen old men are with us. Some who would have been here are in the service. Of last year's graduating class, nearly all have found their way to some direct military work. Our alumni are practically to a man in the fight. So we have a large service flag within our halls that is well adorned with stars.

As we are going into this new college year, we are all fired with the desire to make the very best of our opportunity to serve the great cause through the Students' Army Training Corps. Though this year may bring great changes, we feel that such precautions have been taken to insure the life of the local chapter, that unless the Kaiser holds out for another four years, Ohio Epsilon will not be greatly injured by the changing times.

In closing, we trust that this year will be one in which all chapters will be able to uphold Sigma Phi Epsilon standards, though the conditions are adverse.

COLORADO GAMMA COLORADO AGRI. COLLEGE

A. T. Bennett

Colorado Gamma wishes to greet all her sister chapters after vacation.

We have had unusual good fortune in having back sixteen brothers, and have already succeeded in obtaining six pledges.

V. E. Keating and E. DeW. Leiby made their letters in track last year, both having made a credible showing on the championship team.

J. G. Blanch received a second lieutenant's commission at the Presidio of San Francisco, and paid us a short visit.

L. F. Schiele and W. P. Yetter were initiated into Alpha Zeta, the honorary agricultural fraternity, the latter part of last year.

We lost two brothers, E. C. Johnson and W. P. Yetter, through graduation.

We hope all other chapters have been as fortunate as we, in having a large percentage of their old members returning.

MINNESOTA ALPHA UNIV. OF MINNESOTA

No word has been received from the chapter and letters to alumni in the city have not been answered.

IOWA BETA**IOWA STATE COLLEGE****M. G. Van Scoy**

Iowa Beta opens a new college year under unusual circumstances. The forming of an S. A. T. C. unit at this college has compelled us to give up our new house, which has been turned into a barracks, and has scattered our brothers throughout the different units.

At the opening of the college year eight of our brothers returned. H. O. Hayes and H. B. Echey, of Iowa Alpha, have entered Ames and have joined our ranks. Although we were handicapped this fall in rushing men on account of the lack of time and accommodations, we pledged seven, whom we are sure will make good brothers in Sigma Phi Epsilon.

We have been unable to have any meeting this fall, due to the fact that the strictest quarantine has been enforced in fighting the "Flu" epidemic. We expect to be free again in a very short time, and are looking forward to a good meeting of the members and pledges.

We were greatly shocked recently by the news that Harry Moran had succumbed to pneumonia at Camp Dodge. Harry had been there nearly a year and was preparing to enter an officers' training school when he was suddenly stricken. His death leaves a place in our chapter which will be hard to fill, but we are proud to know that he gave his life in the service of his country.

We have not as yet been able to get in touch with our alumni, for most of them are in the service. A large number of them are overseas and have doubtless been on the firing line by now. Iowa Beta has been very fortunate in the matter of deaths in the service, Harry Moran's being the first. We sincerely hope that we may continue to be as fortunate.

Since our last letter we have initiated three men and wish to introduce them to the fraternity at large.

Initiated May 24, 1918:

Hendrick Vastiaan Davel, Ames, Iowa.

Abner Harris Stafford, Webster City, Iowa.

Initiated May 27, 1918:

Thomas Black Virden, Douglas, Wyoming.

Although we have no house in which to entertain our visiting brothers, we hope that any who may be in this vicinity will let us know and we will do our best to entertain them.

We hope that every chapter in Sigma Phi Epsilon will have the best year possible.

IOWA GAMMA

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

G. G. Sward

Iowa Gamma is facing the most critical period in its whole career. The Interfraternity Council of this University has resolved that all bidding, rushing, pledging and initiating shall be suspended for the period that the University is under military control. It was held that this procedure would be the best one for the fraternity system, and Iowa Gamma held the same opinion. All of our active men except one are in the barracks of the S. A. T. C. The writer is the exception, and were he not teaching chemistry in the University, he too would be there. His rooms are open to the S. A. T. C. men any time for a place to go when "off duty."

As far as we are able to learn, only six of our total membership are not in the service. Of these six, three are faculty members and two have not been heard from recently, while the last one is the writer. Of the brothers in the service, nine are commissioned officers, ten are in officers schools, nine are initiated men, and eleven are in the S. A. T. C.

Let us all hope that the "Hun" may be licked by next summer, and that our fraternity may be able to resume active work at that time.

MONTANA ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Solomon Tintinger

We take this opportunity of communicating with our sister chapters. The outlook at Montana seems to be very good, considering these abnormal times.

The S. A. T. C. has been established here. It was registration day when most of our men arrived, and we have been under military rule ever since. Our men in the S. A. T. C. are Charles R. Spiller, John E. Sanders, Hugh Lockbridge, John Alling, John D. Sullivan, Fred J. Springer and Solomon N. Tintinger. No regular meetings have yet been held, but we hope to get together soon.

October 28th has been decided upon by the Intrafraternity Council as pledge day, and we are counting on securing at least ten men at that time. There is a very fine lot of men to choose from this fall.

Our President, W. F. McCullough, was called to Camp Lewis last summer, so a new one will be elected at our first meeting.

We hope that all chapters will manage to pull through this unusual condition in good shape.

OREGON ALPHA**OREGON AGRI. COLLEGE**

No word has been received from the chapter.

KANSAS BETA**KANSAS STATE AGRI. COLLEGE**

C. F. Laude

With the opening of another school year, Kansas Beta wishes to send greetings to all sister chapters.

During the past summer our chapter house was kept open, and was visited by a number of brothers from Camp Funston, among whom were Paul G. Koontz, Missouri Alpha, and W. W. Locke, Vermont Alpha.

In accordance with the permission granted us by the Grand Chapter, local members remaining in the city were allowed to initiate members of Epsilon Epsilon Epsilon who came during the summer. We now take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large the following:

Initiated July 21, 1918:

George Ernest Denman, Manhattan, Kansas.

Initiated August 4, 1918:

Telford Ruddell Pharr, '18, Agri., Gap Mills, W. Va.

Initiated August 6, 1918:

Captain Keith Egleston, Kinyon, U. S. M. C., Manhattan, Kansas.

Since the opening of college this fall we have initiated six brothers, whom we take plasure in introducing:

Initiated September 13, 1918:

Raymond Clyde Nicholas, '20, Agri., Buffalo, Kansas.

Initiated September 26, 1918:

Robert Brydon Piatt, '22, Agri., Hamilton, Kansas.

Charles Marion Haughton, '21, Civ. Eng., Wichita, Kansas.

George Drumm, '20, Agri., Garber, Missouri.

Everette Dewey Stewart, '22, Science, Towanda, Kansas.

Initiated October 10, 1918:

Hobart Fairman, '19, Mec. Eng., Manhattan, Kansas.

Kansas Beta announces the pledging of nine men, all in the Freshman year.

Because of the organization of the Students' Army Training Corps here, it will be necessary for us to give up our present chapter house on October 1st. However, there are a number of men, some because of having been given deferred classification for various reasons, and others because of being under eighteen years of age, who will not be inducted into the training corps. These men have rented a smaller house in the city, and will provide, in this way, a home in which the brothers can gather as often as is possible.

We have every confidence in maintaining our organization throughout the war, and hope that it will be possible for the Grand Chapter to remain open.

DENVER ALUMNI**DENVER COLORADO****E. D. Stoddard**

The first monthly meeting and supper of Denver Alumni Association Chapter was held in Denver, September 19th. Out of a total number of forty-five brothers residing here, twenty responded to the first call, and elected as officers for the ensuing year the following:

President, J. H. Crary, Jr.

Vice President, Roger D. Knight.

Secretary, E. O. Stoddard.

Treasurer, Dr. L. W. Bowen.

We are indeed glad to add to our number Brother G. B. McNair, an alumnus of Indiana Alpha Chapter, who is now associated with the Western Electric Company here. Our association, while being constantly drawn upon for men to enter the great war, probably remains more intact than any of the chapters; and with the realization of this fact we are striving harder than ever to further the interests of the fraternity.

Co-operating with the municipal authorities here, who have ordered the closing of churches, schools and theatres and the suspension of indoor public gatherings of all kinds for an indefinite period, in an effort to stamp out the spread of Spanish influenza, we are postponing our meeting of this month until such time as the epidemic is under control.

The scope and activity of the alumni has been necessarily enlarged and modified to conform with the ever-changing conditions and status of our active chapters in colleges and universities in which Students' Army Training Corps have been established. In one of our institutions the military authorities have deemed it expedient to discourage fraternity activities altogether. With such opposition we are attempting to aid the active chapter in such a way as to maintain our status without violation of military rulings. Denver Alumni felt it as its duty and sent representatives to the three chapters in this district, proffering such assistance and counsel as was thought necessary to tide over this present emergency. From present indications the success of these missions through the ready acceptance by the chapters has been highly gratifying.

We pledge to the fraternity our most hearty co-operation.

With the Alumni

Edwin R. Keener, Ohio Gamma, has received his commission as lieutenant at Camp Lee, Virginia, and is located at Camp Grant, Illinois Infantry Repl. Tr. Troops, W 1330.

Arthur M. Goff, Washington Alpha, has received a commission as lieutenant.

Neil S. Thomas, Washington Alpha, is Chief Bandmaster in one of Uncle Sam's training camps.

Howard L. Spencer, Virginia Alpha, is reported overseas.

Lieutenant Morgan R. Mills, Virginia Alpha, wounded about a month ago, is reported as steadily recovering.

Thomas V. McCall, Virginia Alpha, is Camp General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Carlstrom and Dorr Fields, Arcadia, Florida.

After spending some months in Pittsburgh, E. L. Greenwald, Colorado Alpha, has returned to Washington, D. C., to resume his patent law practice. Brother Greenwald is located in the McLachlen building.

Carl Holliday, Virginia Eta, author of several text-books, has contributed to the Spokane, Washington, Spokesman Review an interesting story dealing with Y. M. C. A. work in the trenches. Brother Holliday has just returned from "over there."

The following, clipped from the Washington (D. C.) Star of July 21st, shows the important part that Sigma Phi Epsilon airmen are taking in the work "over there": "It is an interesting fact that four of the six American ace aviators now flying on the French front belong to national college fraternities. T. A. Meissner, of Brooklyn, whose fifth official triumph has just been announced, joined the Sigma Phi Epsilon at Cornell, while Captain David M. Peterson, with five victories to his

credit, was a member of the same organization in Lehigh University. Major William Thaw joined the Alpha Delta Phi at Yale. Lieutenant Douglas Campbell belonged to a fraternity in the University of California. The late Kiffin Yates Rockwell was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity at Washington and Lee University. James Rogers McConnell was initiated into Beta Theta Pi at the University of Virginia. Many of the American volunteers serving the allied cause before America entered the war were fraternity men. Kenneth Weeks, the young author slain in June, 1915, when the foreign legion stormed Vimy Ridge, joined the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Sergeant Lewis Robertson, killed in Flanders in 1916, belonged to Sigma Phi Epsilon at the Georgia Institute of Technology."

The article goes on to enumerate many other fraternities represented in this branch of the service, among which are Kappa Alpha, Phi Beta Kappa and Zeta Phi.

Walter S. Clinton, Virginia Eta, is now at his home, 422 Houston Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma, waiting his call for the service.

E. E. White, Iowa Alpha, is a corporal Eighth Co., C. F. C. D., located at Fort Caswell, North Carolina.

Rosser C. Forbes, Virginia Eta, is recovering from an attack of the "Flu." Brother Forbes has been of great assistance in getting Virginia Eta and Virginia Epsilon started this session.

Lee J. Barnes, Tennessee Alpha, is still mining coal in Tennessee. His address is Chattanooga.

F. G. Louthan, Grand Guard, is in training at Camp Hancock, Georgia Machine Gun Officers' Training School, 23d Co. He reports other "Sig. Eps." at Hancock as follows:

J. E. McDonough, New Hampshire Alpha, 18th Co.

L. A. Wood, Washington Alpha, 18th Co.

Glen V. Tunks, Nebraska Alpha, 18th Co.

M. A. Hampshire, Kansas Alpha, 18th Co.

W. A. Stowe, Oregon Alpha, 3d Co.

Kenneth K. Phelan, Nebraska Alpha, 20th Co.

H. Bailey, Ohio Alpha, 20th Co.

William W. Adams, Colorado Alpha, 8th Co.

H. C. Richter, Oregon Alpha, 6th Co.

T. V. Rochelle, North Carolina Gamma, 22nd Co.

George L. Bowen, District of Columbia Alpha, is in training at the Naval Aviation Ground School, M. I. T., Boston, Mass.

Russell L. Dugin, New Hampshire Alpha, is in Y. M. C. A. work at East Orange, N. J.

C. L. Turnipseed, Virginia Delta, is located at Georgiana, Ala., in the drug business.

W. P. Schenck, Virginia Epsilon, is practicing law at Con-
nellsville, Pa.

C. K. Hayes, Iowa Alpha, Superintendent of Public Schools at New London, Iowa, was on hand to get Iowa Alpha started this fall.

J. Alex. Rorer, Virginia Zeta, is with Evacuation Hospital No. 15, American Expeditionary Forces, France.

J. H. Harper, Virginia Zeta, is at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, Seventh Training School, F. A. C. O. T. S.

Conway Coe, Virginia Zeta, is in the Seventh Training School, Camp Taylor, Kentucky.

Engagements, Marriages, Births

The engagement of Newton Peckham Leonard, Rhode Island Alpha, to Miss Mabel Lucille Putnam, is announced.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson Burdeau announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Angela, to Mr. Louis F. Desloge, Indiana Alpha, '10, on Wednesday morning, June 5th, at Saint Francis Xavier Church, St. Louis, Mo.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Everton E. Stidham, Indiana Alpha, to Miss Margaret Coffman, at Indianapolis, on May 29, 1918. Brother Stidham graduated from Purdue University with the class of '18. He is now with the Du Pont Powder Company.

On Tuesday morning, June 11th, Leo J. Daley, Indiana Alpha, '15, was married to Miss Esther Marie Meyer, at Saint Mary's Church, Lafayette, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dowden announce the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Irene, to Lieutenant R. R. Wible, Indiana Alpha, '19, on Saturday, June 1st, at Terre Haute, Ind.

Harry L. Royce, Indiana Alpha, '17, was married on June 1st to Miss Louise Abramms, at the home of the bride's grandparents, in Greencastle, Ind.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Dr. Harry Grant, Colorado Beta, to Miss Helen Davis. They will make their home at Silverton, Col.

Lyndall E. Hughes, '16, Eng., Michigan Alpha, was married September 14th to Miss Martha Volland, of Ann Arbor, Mich. Brother Hughes is now located in Detroit, where he is employed as a traffic engineer by the Michigan State Telephone Company. He may be addressed at 551 Seward Avenue, Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. White announce the marriage of their daughter, Amy Lillian, to Mr. Charles James Melrose, Washington Alpha, on Sunday, June 2d, 1918, at Spokane, Wash.

Mr. Howard Templeton announces the marriage of his daughter, Edith Shanklin, to Mr. Frank F. Nickell, Colorado Alpha, on Wednesday, October 16, 1918, Ronceverte, W. Va. Mr. and Mrs. Nickell will make their home at West Point, Va.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ruben J. Martin, Virginia Eta, a daughter, Celia Staples Martin, August 4, 1918.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Otto G. Reumann, New York Alpha, a son, Paul Bourne, August 20, 1918.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Brookley, Ohio Gamma, a son, John Connor, August 21, 1918.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Hossellman, Indiana Alpha, a daughter, Helen Margot, May 19, 1918.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wright, Virginia Alpha, a son, June 4, 1918.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Skinner, Washington Alpha, a daughter, June 12, 1918.

Resolutions

RESOLUTIONS FROM NEBRASKA ALPHA

Whereas, God, in His Infinite Wisdom, has seen fit to call to his reward in that better world, our dearly beloved brother,

Andrew Emmett Anderson

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by all members of Nebraska Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, and because of his loyal and sincere devotion to his fraternity and to brothers, and

Whereas, His life has been a worthy example to all who knew him, and

Whereas, He answered the call of duty and sacrificed all for love of his country; be it

Resolved, by Nebraska Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, That in his death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a worthy, sincere, loyal, and brave brother; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved parents our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in this sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his parents and a copy be spread upon the records of this chapter, and a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal.

M. C. TOWNSEND,
A. F. SAXTON,
G. H. GARDNER,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS FROM IOWA BETA

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His Infinite Wisdom, to remove from this life our beloved brother,

Harry Moran, and

Whereas, He was ever a true, loyal and noble Sigma Phi Epsilon, who gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That Iowa Beta extend her sympathy to the family of Brother Moran, assuring them that their sorrow is ours, and that we will ever cherish his name as one who was a worthy wearer of the heart of Sigma Phi Epsilon; and be it also further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his bereaved loved ones, a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal, and a copy spread upon the records of the chapter.

M. G. VAN SCOY,

H. D. HUNTER,

Committee.

Pro Pratria

From a letter received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Phillis, we have learned of the tragic death of their son, Louis I. Phillis, Illinois Alpha. Brother Phillis was killed in an airplane accident in France, on July 19th. He was twenty-two years old and entered the service in July, 1917. His training took place at Atlanta Ga., Mineola, L. I., New York, Italy and France.

Word has come to us of the death of Lieutenant Lee C. Lewis, Washington Alpha. Brother Lewis' death followed wounds received on the Marne front, July 31st. Besides taking a prominent part in athletics, he was a sport writer of no mean ability, having served as an editor of the Evergreen, a student publication, and State college correspondent for several Coast papers.

William H. Croswell, Virginia Alpha, died in the Portsmouth Naval Base Hospital, having been in the navy only a few months. Brother Croswell was one of the popular men during his student days and one of Richmond's loyal alumni.

Sergeant V. B. McWhorter, Georgia Alpha, who had served his country in the Philippines and France, died on August 8th from wounds received in action.

The following article and poem were clipped from the Literary Digest of April 27th:

"The heroes of the war, not the 'mute, inglorious' heroes of the fight well fought and victory won, but the great outstanding figures, are beginning to inspire the pens of the bards. Here are a sheaf of tributes upon the graves of the heroic dead who have sacrificed all in the cause of liberty. First comes a panegyric on a brave American who gave his life to pay the debt we owe to France for Lafayette. In his new book, 'Toward the Gulf' (Macmillan, New York), Edgar Lee Masters has these touching lines to the memory of Kiffin Rockwell, the brave American ace of the Esquadriille Lafayette:

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While we stood tearless,
White with rapt faces
In wonder and pain. . . .

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Depths could not stay you.
Anguished we saw you,
Saw Death waylay you
Where the storm flings
Black clouds to thicken
Round France's defender!
Archangel stricken
From ramparts of splendor—
Shattered your wings! . . .

But Lafayette called you,
Rochambeau beckoned.
Duty enthralled you.
For France you had reckoned
Her gift and your debt.
Dull hearts could harden,
Half-gods could palter.
For you never pardon
If Liberty's altar
You chanced to forget. . . .

Stricken archangel!
Ramparts of splendor
Keep you, evangel,
Of souls who surrender
No banner unfurled
For ties ever living,
Where Freedom has bound them.
Praise and thanksgiving
For love which has crowned them—
Love frees the world! . . .

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Monday evening.
H. S. GRINER, Secretary.

New York Alpha, District 2—Syracuse University, 402 Walnut Place, Syracuse, N. Y.
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By the Grand Secretary

When the October Journal went to press the prospects of any further issues were very doubtful, but the Fraternity atmosphere has cleared considerably, and we hope to continue
THE The Journal without any further interruption.
JOURNAL Chapters letters will be expected as in the past, and news items will be welcomed from all sources. The March number will be issued a few weeks late, and all letters should reach this office not later than March 1st.

The opportunities for Alumni aid were brought to your attention in the October Journal. While the need of this co-operation was considerable during the control of the colleges
RECON- by the S. A. T. C., it is far more necessary that
STRUCTION our Alumni get behind the chapters in this, the Reconstruction Period. The Interfraternity Conference has considered this so important a question that a committee has been appointed to collect data and assist chapters in every way possible.

The weakness of our chapters at present is not a lack of men, all seem to have a goodly number either initiated or pledged, but in only a few institutions are there enough upper classmen to handle the chapters. Right now the Alumni should step in and assist these willing but uninformed men, who have not had enough experience in the workings of the Fraternity to make them thoroughly proficient. The magnificent teachings of our Ritual should receive only the most careful presentation and in this the Alumni can be of great assistance.

Get in touch with your district deputy who will advise what ought to be done.

In this issue we are presenting our service flag, which is necessarily incorrect, as to figures, because no returns have been available from some chapters, and they are incomplete in others. This will serve, however, as a basis from which we can estimate the part, in numbers, $\Sigma \Phi E$ played in the war. In no instance have these figures been overestimated. Any corrections or additions to this record should be forwarded to the Grand Secretary.

**SERVICE
FLAG**

At this time all chapters are being confronted with new problems, the solving of which in many cases will be somewhat difficult.

**DISTRICT
CONFER-
ENCES**

As many of these problems are general nothing could be more useful at this time than a conference with the other chapters of the District. The result of the first district conference held in Boston last spring was of great benefit to those chapters, and every district should arrange for a meeting at once. An Executive Committee meeting will take place at Lincoln, Nebraska, February 1st and 2d, and on their return all of the members of the Executive Committee will be glad to attend such meetings as can be arranged. By conferences such as these the chapters will get the direct benefit of the Executive Committee meeting and will be kept in close touch with the policy of the fraternity as well as learning how the other chapters are meeting conditions.

The chapters should carefully consider their problems, appointing one or two men to study them carefully. These men should represent their chapter, and if possible, be on hand for a two-day discussion.

Get in touch with your deputy who will be glad to co-operate with you and perfect the plans for the conference.

Grand Historian Entertained

On the evening of December 17th, the Little Rock, Ark., Alumni had the pleasure of a visit from the Grand Historian, Fred A. Price, of Council Grove, Kansas. An informal dinner was given in his honor at the Marion Hotel, and covers were laid for eight and although the gathering was not very large there was plenty of enthusiasm and good fellowship. A good dinner was served, after which Senator George F. Jones invited all to his apartment where a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Those present were Grand Historian Fred A. Price, Kansas Alpha; Theo. Treadway, Arkansas Alpha; S. W. Rogers, D. C. Alpha; Martin Henry, Missouri Alpha; Gus Henry, Arkansas Alpha; Charles A. Price, Kansas Alpha; Senator George F. Jones, Arkansas Alpha, and A. L. Barber, D. C. Alpha.

Co-operation

What does this word mean to you? The dictionary says "working in harmony with one another."

Are you going to balk because some one else is showing and leading you in the right direction or will you help them?

Help is the main word in co-operation. The man or woman who will not, generally follows in the same old rut until he or she dies.

What would happen to your home if you did not help?

What would happen to our soldiers in France if each one did not help?

THINK IT OVER.—*The Fellow Worker.*

Fraternity Editors Annual Meeting

On Friday, November 29th, the annual meeting of the Fraternity Editors took place at the Salmagundi Club, 47 Fifth Avenue, New York. The getting together of the Magazine Editors is always looked forward to with much pleasure, for there is where the veteran editor, Mr. Baird, Beta Theta Pi, induced us to unburden ourselves some nine years ago and in each succeeding year, due to the able management of Mr. Frank Rogers, Delta Tau Delta, an attractive dinner has always been served and every one made to feel

at home. This year was no exception in Mr. Rogers' schedule. A copy of his surprise menu follows:

"I am one who is nourished by his victuals and would fane have meat."

— *Shakespeare.*

Cheshire Cheese Dinner

Ye Bill of Goode Fare

GREEN TURTLE

"Soup of the Evening, Be-a-u-tiful Soup!"

— *Alice in Wonderland.*

WHITEBAIT AS IN YE OLDE GREENWICH TOWNE

"From the wide sea's enraged and foaming mouth."

— *Twelfth Night.*

YE OLDE FASHIONED CHESIRE PUDDYNGE

"Let's serve him as a Dish fit for the Gods, not hew him as a carcass."

— *Julius Caesar.*

YE MINCE TARTLETTE

"A surfeit of the sweetest things."

— *Midsummer Night's Dream.*

YE TIT-BIT

"To make the matter savory."

— *Hamlet.*

YE COFFEE

*"Coffee which maketh the Politician wise and
See through all things with his half-shut eyes."*

— *Pope.*

It is very much regretted that fourteen men had to be turned away because only a limited space was available at the club that night.

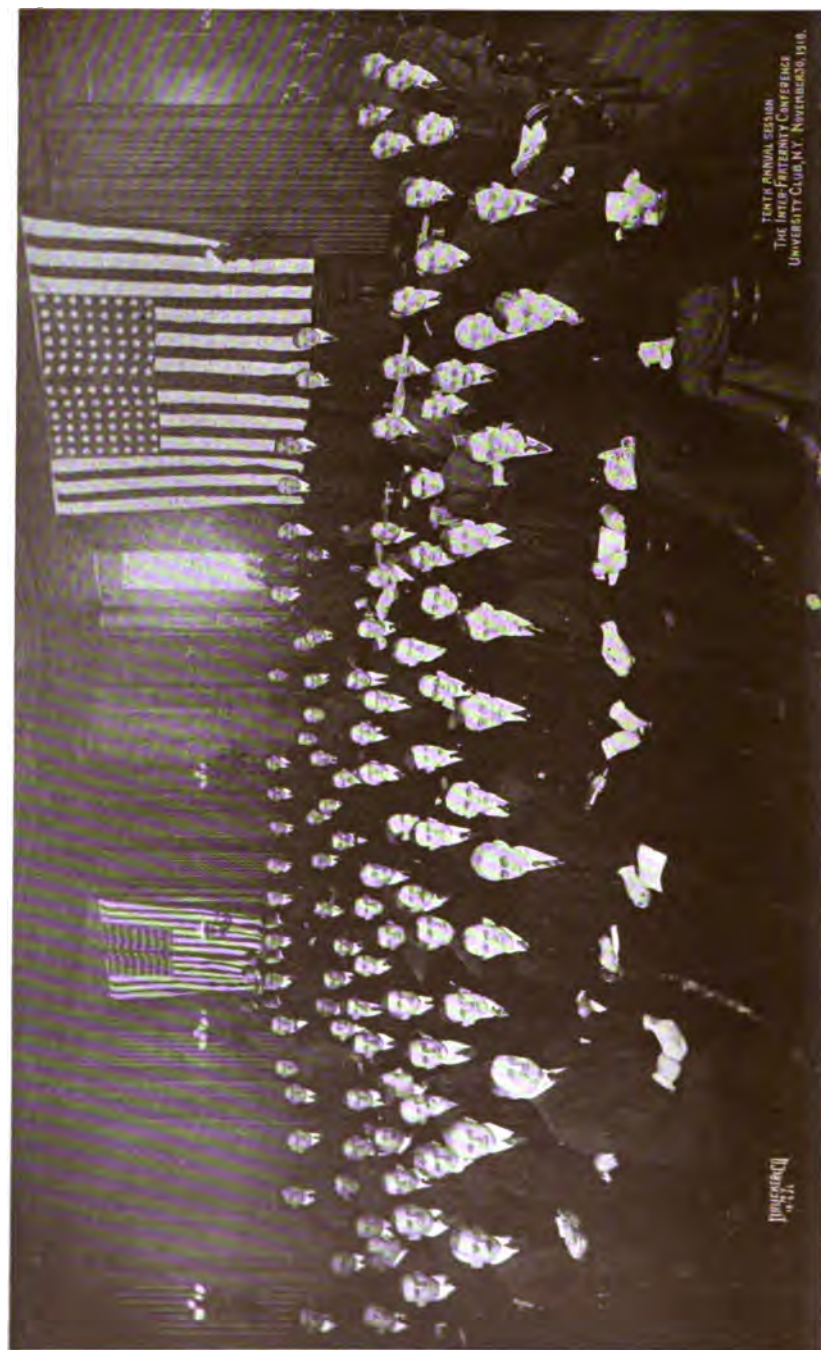
After enjoying the efforts of the club's efficient chef, Mr. Walter Palmer, Phi Delta Theta, took charge of the meeting and called upon the chairman of the Interfraternity Conference, Mr. James D. Livingston, Delta Phi, who made a very interesting talk about the

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YOUTH ANNUAL SESSION
THE INTER-FAITH CONFERENCE
UNIVERSITY CLUB, N.Y. NOVEMBER 25, 1918.

of Prof. W. F. Shepardson, with the foreword by Dr. Faunce. Only that hundred delegates who sat at dinner and heard Dr. Faunce, who in the name of the Religious Education Association ten years ago founded the conference, can fully appreciate the deeper channels of service, comradeship, loyalty to country and God running through the common Greek letter bonds. We all can, however, read that pamphlet by Prof. Shepardson with its history of the past and vision for the future.

Another outstanding fact was that once and for all the Fraternity men answered any doubt which might have existed as to where the Fraternity men would stand if their country needed them. They have justified their existence. The depletion of the Fraternity houses tells the story. History still has a story to write of the college men as they answered to their country's call and the Fraternity response within that group.

A new place had also been won for the Greek letter world in the eyes of the legislation. At first, when the S. A. T. C. came into existence Fraternities were asked to disband during the period of the war. President J. D. Livingston and Secretary H. H. McCorkle fought the fight at Washington, and before the armistice was signed had secured new recognition for the Fraternities. They were not to disband initiative and organization, but merely social meetings. Thus the Fraternity was recognized as having a necessary place in the educational world and as being not contrary to military discipline.

Large in the discussion was the question of adjustment and demobilization. Plans were made to help Chapters get on their feet even to the extent of helping the other fellow's Chapter. But of prime importance was the theme that Fraternities are not to go back to a normal program but to an abnormal program—that no longer are they to be specified as merely social organizations, but to have a new common program of service.

The complete report of the conference should be read by all, as this will be a period of reconstruction for the world, the college and the Fraternities.

Editorials

A college career, followed by experience in the more worldly affairs, is qualified to make any man useful to his Fraternity. Many of them are, too, giving both their money and their time to the interests of their organization.

"NOW IS THE TIME" Others, as we have before hinted, seem to feel that when they leave college, their obligations to the old life should end, and all the sentiments engendered during that period must yield a place for more serious issues.

This is a very foolish notion, because, if post-collegiate life is to be anticipated as a thing so grave, then there is every reason why one should seek an occasional respite in the renewal of old ties. Certainly no possible harm could result from such a step, and we venture to say that a great deal of genuine good might be derived, if only to lift one temporarily out of the depressing effects of the daily routine.

But in this we have advanced an argument, something we dislike very much. Now we are going to assert a truth, when we state that the excuses made by the average alumnus for his absence from Chapter activities are due more to a spirit of self-indulgence than to the pressure of other interests. We are loath to believe that any man eats three meals a day from the top of his desk and uses a ledger to prop his head at night. Besides, the electric sign over the theatre door sometimes out-glamours the small light above his head. Funny how human we all are! And what sense of humor we possess! Also many worthy impulses, for nearly all of us have intended to do the right thing at one time or another in our lives; and now, oddly enough, has come the moment when we can atone for certain of our delinquencies.

Toward this end a rare opportunity is afforded the older members of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Not only should they put in their appearance at the nearest Chapter house, but they should take part in its activities. They can be of inestimable value in the work of campaigning for members to fill the ranks depleted by the war. Also they can lend encouragement to those who yet remain. In fact, there are many other ways in which the Alumni could serve the Fraternity which they have always professed to love, but this they cannot do by remaining away from the houses, and at a time when these would seem to be founded upon sand.

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There are two kinds of criticism, and nearly every one of us knows that they are classified as constructive and destructive. Yet so ingrained seems the popular notion on the subject, that even the more exacting ones sometimes fail to discriminate, else regard as criticism only that which opposes or condemns an existing state of affairs, and without offering any remedy for its betterment. Briefly, it is like tearing down a generally good house, simply because an attic window does not appeal to one's sense of beauty or proportion.

**SHADES OF
MEANING**

That is what destructive criticism would accomplish. With a few blows of the axe, it would deface, perhaps obliterate, every trace of the work involving money, taste and time. Rather unpromising, inexorable, eh? Illogical, too, for that matter. Nevertheless, it is just about what one usually finds masquerading as criticism.

Only once in a very great while indeed do we behold the illuminating hand at work, drawing things from out the shadows and arranging them in their most effective places. Yes, seldom indeed is this the case. Oftener are we disposed to blame the other fellow for a piece of negligence, and without pausing for a moment to ask ourselves the question: Is it not possible that the architect was right after all—that the cupola is not so unattractive as viewed from this point, and there are two others from which it may yet be regarded. And as for those things raked out of the cellar, they must have been in their proper place, for, try as I may, I can't think where else they might belong."

So there you are! Our friend with the air of a Greek philosopher and the strut of a Doctor Johnson turns out to be a mighty unconvincing figure after all. And yet our faith remains unshaken. We are confident there is some one who will yet set us right in a number of things. Believe us, his advent shall be a welcomed one! In this we are neither sarcastic nor captious. We are in earnest, profoundly so.

It is just as natural for one to write as it is for him to talk. Sounds funny, doesn't it? But wait! There is a question we want you to answer, and it is this: Did you ever observe how eager most persons are to talk, but how seemingly afraid they are to write? Is it because they hesitate to put themselves on record, or because they doubt their power to make a statement effectively?

**"PUT 'EM
ACROSS!"**

Without awaiting your answer, we are going to hazard two statements. First, if you have any doubts concerning the subject on your mind, you will do well to keep it there. But if you feel sure of your theme, go ahead and write around it, and as coming from yourself, neither from an Addison nor a Wesley: for the style of the one is a thing debatable, while the tone of the other is unquestionably depressing. So, "Reddy," "Shorty," "Skinny" or "Nuts," get busy with your quill, and let The Journal hear from you. It does not matter where you may be. Postmarks do not interest us. We want to know something about you, yourself, and if anything has gone wrong with your horoscope. We are waiting!

The late DeWitt Talmage used to deliver a lecture on the "crank." Among other things he told how the subject, after constant fault-finding at home, was persuaded to attend a theatrical performance, with the hope **"FAR FROM THE MAD-DING CROWD"** that this form of entertainment might put him in a better frame of mind. But not so; for the first thing that attracted his attention was the trombone player, who became so flushed in his efforts to reach certain notes, that the "crank" was afforded an additional subject for complaint, referring to the hyperaemic musician as a "lobster" and wondering how any one might find pleasure in such a spectacle. Just as though he had purchased a ticket merely to watch the stout musician grow red in the face!

In contradistinction to the "crank" is our old friend of "Quaker Oats" fame. There are some who might call him superficial, hair-brained, frivolous, just as there are others who might hesitate to entrust him with a serious mission. Not because they doubt his honesty of motive, perhaps, but because they cannot understand the reason for his perpetual smile. But even these dubious ones are ever ready to welcome old "Jim," to urge him to remain for tea and to linger after the dishes have been cleared from the table.

Time passes, and the "crank" is laid to rest in a great mausoleum, ornate in design and fortified by wrought-iron gates. Awe-struck, the visitor to the cemetery pauses to admire this mute testimony to wealth, and to read from the bronze scroll-tablet how the deceased had managed to acquire so many of the worldly blessings. Then, passing on, he is heard to remark: "Swell thing—that mausoleum! Isn't that what you call it?"

Later the same one comes to an humble plot of ground, only half-enclosed by a patched-up fence, from which a jungle of parasite vines has begun to spread. Here also he pauses. But it is not through any attempt to read the blurred inscription on the rotting slab, or to censure the caretaker's negligence. Instead he lifts his hat, and, with a tear coursing down his cheek, says: "Nice peaceful spot, this! So much shade! Birds singing, too; and always a breeze from the river. Seems on the order of his life."

Then, turning to his questioner, he adds: "Oh, yes, I knew him well. It makes no difference about the head-board. I saw it when it was freshly painted, been watching it fade these many years. Yes, I'm quite familiar with the spot. It's the grave of 'Sunny Jim'!"

We dislike to repeat and for several reasons. First, because it is bad form. Second, because it is not always easy to corroborate, word for word, a previous statement. Third, because we are naturally lazy and too prone to dodge a job in the first place, much less to go over it again. But, as the speaker says, "there are times." This is one of them.

**AT IT
AGAIN**

You have read what we had to say about keeping our Fraternity intact. At least we hope you did. It was published with that, and the further view that you would "read between the lines." In one of those narrow margins you may find this thought: Keep our Fraternity a living thing. Now, to keep something alive means that it must be fed, and to procure food requires money.

So, after no little hesitation and a keen sense of regret, we feel obliged to call your attention to the fact that Sigma Phi Epsilon, for all we have said of its loftiness of purpose, must sometimes debate the question of a dollar. Even so, we are glad to state that it is only in a very modest way. Certainly the membership dues and a subscription to The Journal will not work a hardship even in these days of high market values. However, we are not urging the matter. It is one that should be left to the conscience and to the judgment. You possess both.

Children in more ways than one, we shall ever cling to certain illusions. While it was hard for us to yield our faith in Santa Claus, it seems almost impossible for us to relinquish our belief in the "self-made" man. Is it because we desire some object to which we may apply the epithets of "sui-generis" and "soi-disant"? You know there is a quantity of affectation in the most sensible of us.

**THE
MYTH**

But the point is this: there never was nor ever will be a person solely responsible for his own success; and to demonstrate the fact, we would refer you to the biographies of truly great men. There you will find that both people and circumstances so influenced the life of the subject, that we may seem excusable in referring to him as a "Man of Destiny."

To illustrate this, let us take the life of a certain President, who, considered as one suitable to fill the office of sheriff, was subsequently found to possess executive ability. As a result he was elected Governor of his state, which position he occupied so efficiently, that he was finally elected to the office of Chief Executive.

No, we cannot cite any other particular instance, because there are none such. It is simply a general fact, and what we have said of this President holds good in the case of every other one who has risen to any degree of eminence.

We do not pretend to deny that the merit is in the man, but we do insist that he is not always conscious of it. Besides, of what would the recognition avail him if he be afforded no opportunity to utilize it? To do this he must rely on the other man's help. Such being true, let us not regard the world with our old self-complacency; and remember if there ever was a "self-made" man he would prove to be a very unseemly work of art.

Chapter Letters

VIRGINIA ALPHA

RICHMOND COLLEGE

C. M. Hull

The S. A. T. C. at Richmond College has passed into history and with it the restrictions placed by the government on college activities. Although under many difficulties, including the return of only two brothers and the limitation of rushing to correspondence for one week, we succeeded in pledging and initiating five good men. The material was very good, and we feel that we have in no way failed to observe the high standards of Sigma Phi Epsilon in the selection of these men.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large, the following:

Initiated December 3, 1918:

Heth Virginius Percival, '22, Richmond, Va.

George James Parrish, '22, Fine Creek Mills, Va.

Johnson Morgan Cocks, '22, Disputanta, Va.

Bertram Edward Timberlake, '22, Atlee, Va.

Russell Walker Eanes, '22, Richmond, Va.

The semester just concluded was one in which very little was accomplished academically, for we were all too busy with the duties of making efficient soldiers to study much, but we are determined to enter upon our duties in the coming semester with a vim and place Sigma Phi Epsilon in the lead in all branches of college life and activity.

We have had the pleasure of recent visits from brothers "Bob" Gale, U. S. Navy; Paul Sanford, U. S. Aviation Corps; Robert N. Stephens, Lieut. U. S. F. A., and Leo Tyson, Ensign U. S. Navy.

Stephens and Sanford have received their honorable discharges and will be with us after the holidays. Gale and Tyson will return as soon as they are able to obtain a discharge.

In closing, we extend to all other Chapters our best wishes for success in the coming months.

WEST VA. BETA**WEST VA. UNIVERSITY****F. W. Robey**

December finds West Virginia Beta still in existence with brightest prospects for the coming year and we sincerely hope and think that the coming year will see the greatest development ever witnessed occurring at the $\Sigma \Phi E$ house at West Virginia University.

To date West Virginia Beta has held no initiatory session, but we hope to present a number of new men to the Fraternity at large in a short time and we feel sure that every "prep" will make a worthy $\Sigma \Phi E$.

F. C. Weimer and L. S. Cornwell have returned from camps with honorable discharges. Brother Weimer received his commission and discharge at Camp Lee, while Brother Cornwell was in the medical corps at Camp Meade. Word has also been received to the effect that Paul E. Amos has landed in New York, after a "visit" with General Pershing in France.

West Virginia Beta reports 65 men in active service and we feel sure no more worthy men can be found.

The intentions of West Virginia Beta at present is not to open the house until next semester, when we hope again for the days of blue pajamas and checkered bathrobes and other characteristics of the brothers.

In closing, we extend the season's greetings to all our sister Chapters, and wish for the success of every man in the Fraternity.

ILLINOIS ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS****Charles H. Bartlett**

With true Sigma Phi Epsilon spirit, Illinois Alpha has weathered a rather stormy season for Fraternities at Illinois. In our last letter it was mentioned that we were going to rent a suite of rooms in which to hold our meetings and to use as a general gathering place. Since then, this has been done, and for almost two months we have been able to meet one another here each day. Our rooms are very close to the campus, so that no brother, no matter how busy he may be, ever fails to get in for at least five or ten minutes each day.

The University authorities have received word that the S. A. T. C. is to be disbanded, and they in turn have notified all the Fraternities that they may have their houses back. We are expecting to be back in the old house by the end of the quarter, anyway, so that when the new year starts, Illinois Alpha will be right on hand with "business as usual."

At the beginning of the year an election of officers was held to fill the places left vacant by the brothers who were in the service or who for other reasons were unable to attend school. The officers are now A. H. Gottschalk, W. A. Gehlbach, J. F. Martino, F. S. Carter, C. H. Bartlett, J. B. Beach, and L. A. Springer. We had a pleasant surprise when J. B. Beach returned to school this year after an absence of a year.

All student activities at the University of Illinois are either almost dead or completely so, and there has been little chance for our men to show their ability along these various lines this quarter. However, almost all of the old men back, who are in the S. A. T. C. have succeeded in landing a position as corporal or sergeant, and D. B. Loomis is first sergeant of Co. 12.

From a financial viewpoint, the Chapter is in good condition. We are, of course, unable to run our own commissary since the men are scattered through the different barracks and at the armory.

Several of the old men have been back this year for short visits. In the last days of October, Ensign W. T. Woleben was in Champaign for three days and went around and saw all of his old friends. Just before the Illinois-Chicago game E. U. Rugg, who is now a member of the faculty of the Oak Park H. S. in Chicago, came down to attend the teachers' conference and to see the "gang." R. Cessna, who enlisted in the Aviation Corps and was sent to Camp Dick and then to Parke Field, has received an honorable discharge and has already been back to see the fellows. R. A. Fash, who is now in New York, has won his commission as ensign, but as yet has not been able to get back to the old school.

On Thanksgiving night, the Chapter held an informal banquet at the Inman Hotel, and had the best time of the year. It was our first real dinner as a Chapter, and we certainly made the most of that one opportunity. Even though the S. A. T. C. men had to be back in barracks by 10:00 o'clock, we were well started by 8:00 o'clock and giving the freshmen their best taste of the real old "Sig. Ep." pep. The Chapter expects to give another such dinner before the beginning of the Christmas holidays.

Also, since the military authorities seem to have lifted somewhat their ban on Fraternities giving dances, we are going to give one. This will add the final touch and we can almost persuade ourselves that we are back in "the good old days," when there was no reveille at 5:45 and taps at ten.

In conclusion, Illinois Alpha wishes all her sister Chapters a happy Christmas and an auspicious New Year.

COLORADO ALPHA**UNIV. OF COLORADO**

William R. Shaw

Things have been in a very chaotic state this year. At a meeting of the Fraternities last fall it was decided to suspend for the duration of the war. During the past week a resolution was adopted to start up again. During the period of suspension we sold all of our furniture and paid off the Chapter bills. The opening of the Fraternity consequently finds us minus our furniture; and as yet no plans have been perfected by which we may secure new. However, we are hoping for the best and are relying upon our Alumni to aid us in the reconstruction of the old Fraternity. We have fifteen of last year's men back. E. J. Draper, of Michigan Alpha, has affiliated this year. We have pledged eight new men. This is the sum of the Fraternity activities collectively. Now to detail, the doings of the brothers in a more comprehensive way:

V. G. Seavy and E. J. Draper were commissioned student officers when the S. A. T. C. was started. While W. McK. Greig, T. H. Clark, R. S. Bell, and R. W. Oldenburg were appointed top sergeants of their respective companies. C. M. Schrepferman was made second in command of the Colorado Admiralty, which position of trust he has filled with all the dignity of a sailor. In football, we were represented by V. K. Adams, who was last year's all-conference guard and who would, doubtless, have continued his work of last year had he not been called to an officers' training camp before the football season was well under way. C. M. Schrepferman and C. M. Brown were consequently our only representatives on the football teams this year. They did good work, and both won their letters. Schrepferman played at half-back and Brown at tackle. This letter in football is fourth letter that Schrepferman has won in the University. He has made the "C" now in football, baseball, basket-ball and track. This is the first time in the history of

the University that there has been a letter man in all of the major activities. We are all proud of "Chet's" record in athletics.

In conclusion, we wish all the members of the Fraternity the best of success for the college year.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA

UNIV. OF PENN.

Ernest L. Noon

Pennsylvania Delta is overjoyed at the prospect of having our house returned to us January 1st. It was taken over by the government for the S. A. T. C. at the beginning of the fall term. We have now 18 active brothers on the campus and expect at least 5 more to return next term, which opens January 6th. The officers for the coming term are: P. R. Kirchner, President; J. M. Cook, Vice-President; E. W. Hartung, Secretary; I. L. Houley, Treasurer; E. L. Noon, Historian; J. B. Herring, Guard; G. F. Scanlon, Marshall; B. M. Johnson, Marshall.

With the demobilization of the S. A. T. C. University activities have immediately become prominent and Pennsylvania Delta is doing her share in the restoration. E. W. Hartung is manager of the crew and a member of the Sphinx Senior Society. G. E. Wagner is vice-president of the Whitney Engineering Society. G. F. Scanlon is manager of the Lacrosse team and business manager of the Red and Blue. Brother Noon is managing editor of the Red and Blue and a member of the Philomathean Society. P. R. Kirchner, of last year's swimming team, is now manager of the wrestling team. I. L. Houley is again preparing to take an active part in the Mask and Wig Show. W. H. Miller is a candidate for the soccer managership and O. S. Thompson for the basket-ball managership.

Pennsylvania Delta introduces three new members to the Fraternity:

Initiated November 11, 1918:

James Aloysius Hughes, Wharton, '21, Titusville, Pa.

Harold Glenn Waldorf, Wharton, '21, Syracuse, N. Y.

Donald Frederick Velde, Wharton, '20, Pekin, Ill.

This Chapter of the Fraternity expects to have the banner year of its existence and wishes the same for all the other Chapters.

Here's to SIGMA PHI EPSILON.

VIRGINIA DELTA**COLLEGE OF WM. AND MARY****A. P. Elliott**

It seems strange that everything should be so quiet at this time of the year, but when we recall that all S. A. T. C. units have been, or are being demobilized, we can readily see why it is that all student bodies have been diminished. Some of those who have gone home expect to return after the holidays, but some expressed their intentions of not coming back at all. We have every reason to be proud of Virginia Delta, for we have done remarkably well considering the disadvantages of war conditions that we have been forced to labor under. With only two old men back in college as a nucleus, we now have a body of nine strong and brilliant young fellows, heart and soul in $\Sigma \Phi \Xi$. With these men we hope to have an unusually successful year. We wish to introduce the following:

Initiated November 6, 1918:

Leslie Walter Simmons, '19, B. S., Newsoms, Va.

Albert Pettigrew Elliott, '19, B. A., Forest Depot, Va.

Walter Wood McCaslin, '22, Pre. Med., Witt, Ill.

Yelverton Oliver Kent, '22, B. S., Philadelphia, Pa.

Y. O. Kent, W. W. McCaslin and A. B. Richardson are basketball stars and we anticipate much from them this season. L. W. Simmons is assistant instructor in the Chemical Department here and also assistant librarian. Several brothers from other Chapters have visited Virginia Delta recently, the most recent one being J. E. Brown, of Ohio Epsilon.

We are reluctant to say that we have lost A. J. Mapp from our midst. He has served in Virginia Delta for four years, and obviously he will be greatly missed. He returned to college in October in order to take his masters' degree, but being hindered much by the S. A. T. C. duties while here, deemed it best to give up his idea of remaining and returned to his home. We have been fortunate to secure some very desirable rooms in the very best part of the city, and look forward with much anticipation to our work after Christmas. We extend our best wishes and hopes for all Chapters throughout our land, and wish for all a happy Christmas.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA**N. C. STATE COLLEGE**

All members of Chapter in service.

OHIO ALPHA**OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY**

F. Milo Hettish

After our Christmas vacation, we will return to the Chapter House. With a memory of roast turkey, etc., which might overshadow memories of army beans and boiled potatoes. Our return will be accompanied with a resolution to make this new year count for Sigma Phi Epsilon, and to make up for what we lost during the period we were in the S. A. T. C. We hope that all the other Chapters will have the same pleasant Christmas vacation we anticipate.

Our house was not taken over by the S. A. T. C., so we will find it in the same condition in which it was left by us on the 1st of October. Our cook, who has been with us for several years, is back again and we expect the same conditions in our dining room.

Our service record is not yet completed, but we are trying to get in touch with all of our Alumni and hope soon to have a full report. We are sure that Ohio Alpha has over one hundred men in the service.

Recently the Chapter has enjoyed visits from T. K. Rothermund, L. H. Gardner, and H. L. Randolph. These men stopped with us for a few days on their way home from camp. Our hearts have been filled with a great sorrow upon learning of the death of Lieut. Walter Again, who was killed in action October 1st. We cheer ourselves with the thought that our loss is our brother's gain.

We have been exceedingly fortunate at the Chapter, having only one case of "flu." This was Eli E. Main, but we are glad to say he has fully recovered.

The football season which has just closed has been one of the worst in the history of Ohio Northern, having won few games of our schedule. For the first time in a long time very few "Sigs" have been on the varsity. We are represented by H. E. Hobson, W. O. Clark and E. E. Mains. They made their second N's this year. In basket-ball we are represented by W. S. Throstle and F. M. Hettish.

We look forward to a very successful term after the holidays, as we expect twelve brothers and five pledges to return. We

trust all the sister Chapters have as bright a prospect and would be glad to welcome any visiting "Sigs" around our cheery fire this winter.

INDIANA ALPHA**PURDUE UNIVERSITY**

Evan E. Plummer

December finds Indiana Alpha making plans to again open under normal conditions, and all indications point to a booming new year for Sigma Phi Epsilon at Purdue University.

Thirty-three brothers have stated their intentions of returning, with several other brothers on the doubtful list, when the university reopens January 7th. Every one has felt the lack of an opportunity to get much benefit from his school work during the previous months, and all are prepared to jump into their work with a zest when the time comes.

The students of Purdue University were mustered into the service on October 8th and everything was all ready for them. Five two-story barracks, each housing one company, had been built for the use of the collegiate section of the S. A. T. C. Uniforms and equipment were on hand and were issued at once, and from that day forward until December 19th, the date of discharge, everything was managed in a true military manner. In fact, the camp was known as one of the best equipped S. A. T. C. camps in the country, and one which was more military, and resembled a large army camp more, than any other.

There were thirty of the brothers in the collegiate section of the S. A. T. C. and seven in the naval unit. S. A. Campbell, H. S. Griner, G. A. Mast, and F. S. Smith were appointed to sergeantcies, and the majority of the brothers in the camp were corporals. A great many days were spent in quarantine by the members who enlisted in the collegiate section, due to several epidemics which spread over the camp. Detention quarantine lasted three weeks, followed shortly afterward by a Spanish influenza quarantine of two weeks' duration. The week before discharges were granted was also spent in quarantine, this time, the result of the appearance of a number of scarlet fever cases in the camp.

On the evening of the twenty-seventh of November, a military hop was given at the Chapter house in honor of the members in the service. Thirty couples were in attendance. Every one thor-

oughly enjoyed himself because of the opportunity the dance afforded of getting the crowd together.

Several business meetings have been held on Sundays at the Chapter house, but it was always difficult to get every one present at these meetings on account of various members being on guard duty or attending other necessary military details.

Since the last Chapter letter, the following "Sig. Eps." from Indiana Alpha have earned their commissions in the United States service: Charles S. Becker, '13; T. Milton Rybolt, '18; Paul S. Lowe, '17; Raymond F. Sproat, '17; Glenn C. Barnaby, ex-'19; John M. Huff, ex-'20; Edwin J. Kendall, ex-'20.

The Chapter service flag shows 127 blue stars. With the data at present in hand, no gold stars have been placed on the flag.

In closing, Indiana Alpha sends out its greetings and best wishes for the New Year to all her sister Chapters and hopes that they all may fare as well as Indiana Alpha.

NEW YORK ALPHA

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

H. W. Lester

Looking back over our war record, we find that two of our beloved brothers have made the supreme sacrifice. Last spring Joseph Lannigan was killed in a fall from his aeroplane at Kelly Field, Texas. In his honor the Engineering College was closed for the morning. The students were given permission to attend his funeral which was conducted under full military form. Henry Q. Griffin, lieutenant in the infantry, was killed in action while leading his platoon to a point of furthest advance near St. Quentin, for which he was awarded the D. S. C. Brother C. W. H. Douglas, first lieutenant aviation, has been reported missing in action since last June. Casualty lists also show that First Lieut. Glen G. Witter was wounded in action, Sergt L. B. Henry was gassed and Sergt. Ralph Brown wounded. Brother Brown is now back home recovering. No doubt when the full reports are at hand we shall have more names to add to this list as New York Alpha boasts of having over 50 per cent. of its entire Chapter roll in the service.

This is our first opportunity to tell you how New York Alpha has fared during these trying times. Last September the government took over many of the Chapter houses as barracks for the S. A. T. C. We naturally expected that our's would also be used

for this purpose, but at the last moment we found that we were not included among those so listed. We later ascertained that the reason for this was the fact that a sorority was located next door. Accordingly, several of the Alumni who lived in the city got on the job and by their efforts succeeded in leasing the house to the Chi Omega Sorority for a period of one year. As only a few of the brothers returned to college this proved to be a very fortunate move. Otherwise we would have been obliged to carry the house along under very trying circumstances.

With the demobilization of the S. A. T. C. college life is gradually returning to its former status. Some of the Fraternities have moved back to their Chapter houses, but we, due to our lease, are not planning to open ours until next September.

At present the following brothers are back in college: "Tot" Hoople, "Russ" Guard, "Gymp" Hoople, Lowell Nicholson, "Jimmie," Clearwater, John Gregory and Howard Lester. Five of us have been able to get together and are staying at 402 Walnut Place. Of course, we miss good old "310," but as we look forward to next year with its bright future, we feel more cheery and encouraged.

Next fall will find us back again at "310" stronger than ever. From letters received and various other sources of information, we are assured that we will have a full house, and it is needless to tell you that there will be plenty of spirit and "pep" with which to start things and place old New York Alpha up at the front.

At this time we want to extend to all the other Chapters our wishes for a most successful and bright future.

VA. EPSILON

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIV.

No letter has been received from this Chapter.

VIRGINIA ZETA

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE

W. B. Bowman

Fraternity activities at Randolph-Macon have been far below normal since S. A. T. C. has been in existence there; but now that the students of this organization are about to be demobilized, Virginia Zeta faces a bright and prosperous future. R. E. Garland and H. I. Bowman, who were in the first contingent from Randolph-

Macon to a training camp, have received their discharges and expect to return to school after the holidays. At the beginning of the next term, January 2d, we hope to have back with us J. W. Copley, who enlisted in the navy last year and who is now an ensign. T. N. Woodfin, recently commissioned in the navy, prefers to remain there for a few years. C. P. Coe, who was at Camp Taylor, is back at the Patent Office in Washington. W. B. Bowman, who has been with us for the past two and a half months has now taken up commercial school work, and will not be back with us after Christmas. However, Virginia Zeta expects to begin the new year with fifteen men.

To break the monotony of military duties, on the nights of November 28th and 29th, the members of S. A. T. C. were allowed to give two dances, both of which proved very successful. The music was furnished by the Meyer Davis Orchestra of Washington. Among the Alumni who attended were C. P. Coe, T. N. Woodfin and J. W. Copley.

In closing, we wish every brother a very pleasant holiday, and wish for the sister Chapters a very successful and prosperous New Year.

GEORGIA ALPHA

GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECH.

W. L. Markert

Georgia Alpha is still going strong despite the fact that the government control of "Tech" under the S. A. T. C. ruling has made it a death struggle for Fraternities to keep going. Although the prospects have been anything but bright this year our old home at 14 West North Avenue has been kept open to all "Sig. Eps." and has been a haven for the fellows when on pass from the barracks. Many of our brothers in training at the O. T. C., at Camp Gordon, near Atlanta, have found a hearty welcome here and have made it their home while on leave. It has seemed like old times every Saturday and Sunday and every brother can truly say that Georgia Alpha has meant a lot to him in the college life, even under government control.

Now that the war is over we have an unusually bright outlook for the fellows are being discharged this week and we will have more than we can house in the Chapter house. College activities will begin once more and Georgia Alpha is sure to take her share of the honors in all that goes on. The college papers will be pub-

lished again after the holidays, and we have two brothers sure to get a place on the staff. We can't be very sure of anything until after the holidays, because it will be then that "Tech" goes back to her pre-war status and the old life begins again. Only one or two men in the Chapter are contemplating leaving and we will have a strong Chapter even then.

Football is over now and "Tech" had a very successful season losing only one game and giving a good account of herself then. Georgia Alpha had C. F. Turner and J. P. Baskin on the varsity squad and several freshmen on the scrub team. The next thing in the way of athletics will be baseball and we have F. L. Asbury and C. F. Turner, both old letter men, and a good prospect in "Shorty" Guill.

Georgia Alpha has been busy with the new men and wishes to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated October 18, 1918:

Sidney Charles Sault, '21, M. E., Atlanta, Ga.

Initiated November 9, 1918:

Robert Isham Norman, '21, E. E., Newton, Miss.

James Madison Tyler, '21, T. E., Keysville, Va.

William Crawford Fielden, '21, E. E., Lakeland, Fla.

We have two other pledges to come in later and still have several good men in view as possible members.

In closing, Georgia Alpha extends hearty wishes for a pleasant holiday season and a resumption of all Fraternity activities, to all sister Chapters.

DELAWARE ALPHA

DELAWARE COLLEGE

R. P. Kite

The period which this letter will cover has certainly been a most prosperous one for Delaware Alpha. In all phases of the military and college life, she has done her utmost to boost $\Sigma \Phi E$ and has occupied a prominent place in the front rank. In the now disbanded S. A. T. C. seventeen of the forty "non-coms" were $\Sigma \Phi E$'s, these men will all take their places in the regular college cadet corps.

The past football season has certainly been the best ever for Delaware Alpha. Seventeen varsity letters were awarded with twelve of them going to $\Sigma \Phi E$. M. W. Plam (Mgr.) Hugh McCaughan, E. G. Tonlsin, W. R. Ritz, R. N. Foulk, F. B. Carter, W. S. Moore, A. J. Vita, W. W. Lattomus, J. C. Pierson, and W. T. Stewart, being our representatives. With two exceptions, this combination will return next year. Basket-ball prospects look like a championship team, with $\Sigma \Phi E$ contributing the majority. From last year's varsity we have F. B. Carter and W. R. Ritz, while McCaughan, G. G. Carter and M. W. Plam are at present playing on the varsity squad. In student activities $\Sigma \Phi E$'s are evident everywhere. W. S. Levey is president of the Wolf Chemical Club; F. B. Carter, Junior Athletic Representative; D. Smith and R. P. Kite Junior Student Council Representatives. W. T. Broughall, Sophomore Student Council Representative. The Chapter heartily welcomed the return of Liteuts. F. B. Carter and D. Smith, and of Chief Quartermaster McCockindale at the opening of college.

To the Fraternity at large we introduce:

Initiated December 6, 1918:

Anthony John Vita, '21, A. and S., New Haven, Conn.
William Scott Levey, '19, Ch. E., Newark, Del.
Willard Lysinger Moore, '19, E. E., Wilmington, Del.

Initiated December 18, 1918:

George Gray Carter, '22, Ch. E., Newark, Del.
Harold Waite Denison, '22, Mar. Trans., Philadelphia, Pa.
Willard Robinson Triggs, '22, M. E., Wilmington, Del.
Thomas Clement Alexander, '22, Agri., Claymont, Del.
Joseph Howard Harper, '22, Agri., Still Pond, Md.
Gilbert Dickey Chambers, '22, A and S., Newark, Del.
Robert Stewart, '22, A and S., Wilmington, Del.

Our annual dance will be given on February 28th, and it is our sincere desire that we may entertain some visiting brothers and show them a real Delaware Alpha dance.

Our service record is 71 blue and 1 gold star.

VIRGINIA ETA**UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA****W. A. Rorer**

Since our last letter we have been very busy with military duties, but now that the armistice has been signed and peace is in view, we at Virginia are settling down and preparing for what we believe is going to be a very successful year.

Fraternities here have been hit hard by the war and it will take hard work and some time to put them back on a pre-war basis. All have, however, gotten their houses back and rushing on a large scale is being planned for at the opening of college after Christmas. We will go back into our house at once and expect to have it filled as soon as the University opens.

In addition to the two men introduced in our October letter we have added four more to our roll, and these will be introduced in the March letter.

Virginia Eta has furnished several men to the C. O. T. C., but we are looking for them back at the opening of college. Only two men, according to the present report, will not return after the holidays, so we look forward to a strong Chapter for the balance of the session.

We would be glad to welcome any visiting brothers and extend to all our best wishes for successful year.

ARKANSAS ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS****E. N. Gatewood**

Arkansas Alpha is glad to be able to send another letter showing that they are still in existence under these most trying conditions. Most of our old men left for the Officers' Training Camp, and this has hampered us very much. However, the S. A. T. C. unit is being disbanded, and we expect great things from our Chapter.

During the past few months we have been able to pledge several men we wish to introduce to the fraternity.

Our plans for a house for the balance of the session are still unsettled. We hope, however, to be able to secure one,

and should any brothers happen to visit Fayetteville we will be glad to entertain them the best we can under such conditions.

Initiated December 14, 1918:

Hugh Nail Teiper, B. A. '21, Malvern, Ark.

Wallace Edwin Graham, M. E. '21, Clarendon, Ark.

James Lee Bessemeyer, Agri. '22, Fayetteville, Ark.

Percy R. Renfrow, B. A. '22, Russellville, Ark.

Arkansas Alpha extends greetings to all sister Chapters with the hope that they will all have a successful session.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

James H. Goodwin

The New Year finds the members of Pennsylvania Epsilon back for hard work. Our first task has been the finding of a new house and all the members have been on the lookout. We now have a house in view and expect to be in our new home in another two weeks. Because of the S. A. T. C. we gave up the old lease, but will soon have a better house than before.

College activities are in full swing now and the brothers are doing their full share. In wrestling M. A. Manley and E. M. Loeser are sure of their old positions on the team while J. H. Goodwin, R. H. Grubbs and R. W. Ludlow are trying out. For assistant manager of wrestling, J. H. Alden is our representative. The basket-ball team has started its season and B. T. Ketcham has won a guard position.

R. L. Wilson was elected to the Scimitar Club and R. W. Ludlow, the chairman of the Senior Class Book Committee. In our next letter we will be able to report favorably on other activities that are just starting.

We are glad to say that W. P. Johnson and W. H. Alexander are back with us and F. C. Bartlett has returned to his old position as instructor in physical education.

Our records show that during the war we have had 57 men in service, none of which were lost. Some of these will return to us at the beginning of our next term, so we will have a good membership and will be able to work hard in all college activities. The future is bright.

We wish all our brothers great success in their work and know that now the war is over we'll put the same work in civilian activity as we did in army life.

OHIO GAMMA**OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY****Philip W. Porter**

At a time when fraternities in all parts of the country are being forced to close down their Chapter Houses and are in a weak condition, Ohio Gamma is in the paradoxical position of being in better shape than at any time previous to the war and the establishment of S. A. T. C. camps in the colleges. The strenuous rushing season that we instituted at the start of the school year brought up our numbers so that we now have more active members than can be accommodated in the Chapter House.

All during the operation of the S. A. T. C. at Ohio State, the house was kept open. Twelve brothers lived ~~there~~, and those in the barracks used it as a headquarters whenever they received passes. Every Sunday there was a general reunion.

The initiation of seventeen new men this term increased our active Chapter to twenty-eight, although about ten men from last year withdrew from college since September. We now have twelve pledges, six of whom will be initiated December 15th. Our finances are in good condition, and we have the best outlook for the future that we have had for several years. We trust that our sister chapters' prospects are as bright as ^{ours}.

Since peace was declared we have been celebrating miniature "Old Home Weeks" at frequent intervals. Men from last year and several years before that have been arriving at the house continuously ever since the army and navy began to give out discharges. We have even been fortunate enough to have a brother who has seen active service in France, First Lieutenant Reno V. Jones, to spend a couple of weeks with us. Jones is the first Ohio State man who has seen service at the front in France to return to Columbus. While overseas he was decorated with the Forageur Cord, given his division for three citations of bravery. We feel "kinda puffed up" about Reno.

In addition to Jones, Second Lieutenant "Eddie" Keener dropped in on us while on a furlough from Camp Grant. Keener was Chapter Historian last year. "Ferd" Weaver expects to be discharged from Columbus Barracks soon. He has

been performing in the Barracks Band, in the capacity of Sergeant. "Dri" Reidenbach blew in from Camp Sherman and is staying at the house now.

We have been fortunate in having visits from two brothers from distant Chapters in the last two weeks. Machinist's Mate Herb Heilig, formerly of Wisconsin Alpha, and now stationed at the Naval Training Camp at Dayton, Ohio, paid us a week-end visit, as did Lieutenant Dowell, who formerly hung out at Illinois Alpha. Dowell has been located at Camp Sherman. We were tickled to death to entertain these men. Any other "Sig Eps" who happen around this way are urged to pay their respects to Ohio Gamma.

Hugh Lovett, formerly of Kansas Beta, is attending Ohio State and is living at the Chapter House now.

We have recently secured a dandy house mother, Mrs. E. T. Clark. Mrs. Clark keeps everything looking spick and span and is a real mother to the fellows. She is running the table now, thus taking it out of the hands of the Chapter temporarily, but we all eat there, and it's just the same as in the good old days.

In order to relieve the "ennui" of the men in the barracks, we have been holding dances at the house every two weeks. The affairs are informal, and we furnish our own music. The $\Sigma \Phi E$ orchestra has suddenly become famous. "Jerry" Coleman makes the tenor banjo moan, "Pink" Flaig murders the banjo mandolin, while Jenkins and Kaspar play the violin and drums, respectively. Pledge "Fat" McLain toots the saxophone.

Although we landed no men on the football team this fall, "Ebbie" Wind was the premier runner of the cross-country squad, and "Jimmy" Palmer was manager of the same. We expect to land some fellows on the freshman teams during the rest of the year, while Wind will be the big noise in track this spring.

In closing, we wish our sister Chapters all the success in the world, extend them hearty invitations to visit us, and bid them a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

VERMONT ALPHA**NORWICH UNIVERSITY****F. M. Matthews**

At the time this letter is written affairs are in a very unsettled condition, owing to the disbanding of the S. A. T. C. Some of our brothers will not continue in college, but we expect to have about eighteen men to start the new year with. We have been able to carry on our usual activities this year, initiating our usual number of new men, and holding regular meetings. We consider ourselves very fortunate in being able to do this, as we realize that many Chapters had to suspend altogether. Now that the S. A. T. C. has been disbanded we expect to be allowed to board at the house again.

J. M. Dalton, C. H. Wells, H. F. Douglass, James Duane and R. M. Tyler played on the Norwich football team, which won the championship of Vermont.

Saturday, December 14th, we conducted a very successful house party as a farewell to the brothers who do not intend to return to college.

Vermont Alpha has one hundred and one men in the service, with one gold star for David Cedar, '18, whose death was reported in our last letter. W. H. Munsell, '14, has been reported as severely wounded, but we have not received any particulars.

In closing, Vermont Alpha extends heartiest greetings to all other Chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon for a happy and prosperous New Year.

ALABAMA ALPHA**ALABAMA POLY. INSTITUTE**

No letter has been received from this Chapter.

NORTH CAROLINA GAMMA**TRINITY COLLEGE**

All members of the Chapter have entered the service.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA**DARTMOUTH COLLEGE**

No letter has been received from this Chapter.

D. C. ALPHA**GEO. WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY****George T. Reeves**

The prospect for a record-breaking year at George Washington University was somewhat darkened because of the influenza epidemic, which caused the University to remain closed until November 4th. While closed the Student Army and Navy units were organized, as scheduled, and began to drill, though the men did not attend classes. Since the reopening everything has been progressing rapidly and we expect to make up the time lost.

The Student Army Training Corps men here were at a disadvantage at first, due to a delay in securing quarters, and it was only a couple of weeks before the order to demobilize came that the last men were put in barracks. The work of mustering out the men has begun and the first lot ordered up for their examinations. The men are all anxious to get out now that the fighting has stopped.

As for the fraternity at George Washington, there has been very little activity, due to the request of the War Department, but despite the fact that we had no social meetings, we did some rushing and succeeded in getting two new men, who we expect will make fine fraternity members. The Chapter House has been full until last week, when several of the brothers who have been in Washington during the war went back to their homes. We wish to take this opportunity to tell of the pleasure and profit which District of Columbia Alpha Chapter experienced in having the men from sister Chapters with her. Indeed, the men became so closely associated with us that they seem like our own members, and we regret to see them leaving us.

At the time of the signing of the armistice there were sixty-one men from District of Columbia Alpha Chapter serving in the United States Army and Navy. They rank all the way from major down to buck private in the Student Army Training Corps. A large percentage of them are overseas. We are eagerly waiting for the day when the fellows all come back and we have that grand reunion of Sigma Phi Epsilon which every brother has been looking forward to.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large the following:

Initiated November 30, 1918:

Clarence Mortimer Godfrey, A. B., Washington, D. C.

Charles Warren Schoffstall, Eng., Reading, Pa.

The doors of our Chapter House at 1829 Nineteenth Street, N. W., are always open and we cordially invite members from the other Chapters to visit us.

KANSAS ALPHA

BAKER UNIVERSITY

F. W. McDonald

At the writing of this letter Kansas Alpha is passing through a renaissance period. We are again living at the house, and after our confinement for the past three months in the S. A. T. C., we are appreciating our fraternal life and its benefits as was not heretofore done.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity the following:

Initiated December 19, 1918:

Melville Louis Mueller, S. A. T. C., Wichita, Kan.

William Harold Kukuk, S. A. T. C., Waverly, Kan.

Frank Pawan Dicus, S. A. T. C., Topeka, Kan.

Raymond Vincent Frye, S. A. T. C., Kansas City, Kan.

Floyd Fairview Litteral, S. A. T. C., Waverly, Kan.

Floyd Edwin Poff, S. A. T. C., Manville, Wyo.

Robert Guold Carter, S. A. T. C., Grand Forks, N. D.

Frederick Franklin Sandford, S. A. T. C., Sedalia, Mo.

We assure you that these brothers are all worthy and will measure up to the standards of the fraternity.

We are anticipating great success the remainder of the year. We have R. V. Frye, F. F. Sandford, R. F. Carter, F. C. Husted, H. G. Manorgan, W. S. Trebilcock, W. H. Beck and F. W. McDonald returning from the S. A. T. C. Back from other camps and here at the present writing are H. S. Nye, R. S. Baldwin, F. P. Dicus, Frank Trebilcock and Roy Carter. A number of others are expected and they may arrive at any time.

Basket ball is under full sway at the present time. F. W. McDonald, F. F. Sandford and R. V. Frye are on the squad. F. W. McDonald is a "B" man from last year. We were also very successful in football in the past season, and Sigma Phi Epsilon captured three of the twelve letters awarded. E. E. Johnson, W. H. Beck and F. W. McDonald getting their "B" in the sport.

Ras Johnson, captain-elect, football 1919, has left us to attend the University of Illinois. We are very sorry to see Brother Johnson leave, as he was as good a player as ever donned a Baker uniform, and as true a "Sig Ep" as ever wore the "Sacred Heart."

All the Chapters have had their ups and downs this year, and Kansas Alpha believes her "downs" have been as deep in the mire as that of any other of her sister Chapters. We sincerely hope that the outlook for each of you is as bright as it now is for us.

We wish our sister Chapters the greatest success in this most important reconstruction period.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

R. L. Flannery

The semester just passed has indeed been the crucial test for California Alpha, but with the loyal co-operation and support of enthusiastic Alumni, we believe that the storm has been successfully weathered. The S. A. T. C. of the past term compelled the closing of Chapter houses, which constitute the life of the fraternities at California, and California Alpha, after storing her furniture in homes of the various Alumni and warehouses, found herself without a meeting place. In fact, everything was done by the military authorities to discourage fraternity rushing and initiation.

C. H. Jensen, of the Alumni, to whom more than any other single member the local Chapter is indebted for his unselfish support and untiring efforts, offered his home in Berkeley gratis to the active Chapter, and there the flame of fraternity life was kept burning. The Chapter can never adequately repay Brother Jensen for what he has done, and the feeling of the active members is reciprocated manyfold among the Alumni.

The actives for the past term have been: C. C. Berwick and G. C. Hensel, in the Medical School; R. W. Cowlin, H. K. Beresford and C. H. Fishburn, in the S. A. T. C. Meetings have been conducted under Alumni supervision exclusively, owing to military discipline over the actives. Among old faces at our last few meetings there were H. E. Rahlmann, W. A. Benner, C. F. Awalt, C. H. Jensen, R. L. Flannery, T. E. Glazier, D. C. Bennett, N P. Sollars, T. A. Harris, J. N. Holden, O. R. Caldwell, A. W. Howe, J. T. Urner, E. S. Schweninger, B. H. Maddox, C. L. Thiele, George Mitchell and C. C. Berwick.

For the coming term things are yet uncertain, but the Alumni have determined that the Chapter shall be quickly revived and started again on a firm foundation. On Saturday, January 18th, we will initiate two men, and with the realization of present, very good prospects will put through one or two more later in the month. From present outlooks, C. H. Fishburn, R. W. Cowlin, H. Barth, C. C. Berwick and R. E. Surryhane will probably return. Possibly G. C. Mitchell and D. C. Aitken, who will leave the army, resigning their commissions to complete their academic education, and one or two others of whom we are not certain, will also be with us. With a nucleus of ten men, we figure to start the Chapter again and to announce our success in the next issue of The Journal.

Our New Year's wish is for a prosperous and successful one in the reorganization of our fraternity, our kindest greetings are for the sister and Grand Chapters.

NEBRASKA ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA**

E. Merton Campbell

Since our last letter to The Journal many things have occurred which will hasten the return of fraternity activities to a pre-war basis. Because of the signing of the armistice, we have been able to relinquish our efforts towards the settlement of national affairs and center our attention once more upon our own future welfare.

The S. A. T. C. has been disbanded and we are again occupying our Chapter House as formerly. "Sam" Bennett, Alfred Isham, William Holt and Avery Pickering have been discharged from the army and have resumed their duties in college. Payson

Marshall has been released from the navy and expects to be with us at the beginning of next semester. In fact, we are looking forward to begin the second semester with the largest Chapter ever, even though some of the older men express a desire to remain at home until next year and "rest up." Fred Dale, William Coffey, Doane Pickering and Lieutenants Glen Ruby, John Pickett, Ed. Albrecht and Stuart Clark have visited here on their way home from O. T. C.'s. Lieutenant Fred Hellner, who is stationed at Cincinnati, expects his discharge shortly and will be in the University next semester.

Clifford Scott, who has been West all fall, has just returned to Lincoln and will make 1319 Q his home again—for a while. "Make it for life, Scotty, we need you."

William Beck, of Kansas Alpha, has been with us the past few days.

Basket ball practice has started in earnest at Nebraska and the prospects are that we will be at the top of the list in the Missouri Valley. Glen Gardner is the only man we have eligible for the 'varsity, but we expect John Pickett, Nebraska star of "17," and Ed. Albrecht, to be back next semester. Our representation on the freshman team is exceptionally strong.

The following men have been initiated since our last report:

Initiated November 26, 1918:

Gayle Vincent Grubb, '20, University Place, Nebraska.

Richard Oscar Johnson, '22, Havelock, Nebraska.

Myron Leonard Van Horne, '22, Pawnee City, Nebraska.

WASHINGTON ALPHA

WASH. STATE COLLEGE

W. P. Foster

The State College of Washington will again become normal with the opening of the new quarter January 1st, and likewise will Washington Alpha. At present we have twenty-nine brothers and pledges on the campus, and every man is planning on staying in college. We also expect three men back, and consequently our house will be filled to its capacity. Prospects were never brighter for our Chapter than now, although during the past few weeks the epidemic has placed a ban on all meetings, tabooed social affairs, and even took one of our number away.

Since our last Chapter letter we have initiated eleven men and take great pleasure in introducing them to the fraternity at large.

Initiated October 20, 1918:

Oren Closs Davis, '20, Vet. Science, Alstown, Wash.

Vernon Vincent Ewing, '22, Elec. Eng., Spokane, Wash.

Ernest Waldamar Durrwachter, '22, Agriculture, Cle Elum, Wash.

Herbert Oscar Bergdahl, '21, Agriculture, Meyers Falls, Wash.

Ernest Eugene Cable, '22, Mech. Eng., Spokane, Wash.

John Bernard McNamara, '22, Mech. Eng., Billings, Mont.

Townsend Jackson, '22, Agriculture, Dayton, Wash.

Kieth Bushnell McCrosky, '22, Chemistry, Oakesdale, Wash.

Philip Henry Fox, '22, Music, Spokane, Wash.

Ray Joseph Wollaston, '22, Civil Eng., Spokane, Wash.

Winfred Earl Coe, '22, Agriculture, Oakesdale, Wash.

Our S. A. T. C. football team played two games during the season and our Chapter was represented by M. McIvor, captain and fullback; E. I. Jenne, quarter; R. McK. King, tackle; H. H. George, center; and E. W. Durrwachter, sub-half. These brothers should do great things in giving us a championship team next season.

The Pacific Coast Conference basket ball season will start in January, and M. McIvor will be in his old position at forward on the 'varsity team.

We will be glad to greet brothers from any of our sister Chapters and will entertain them royally with our "jazz" orchestra and "Sig Ep" quartette. Hoping that all our sister Chapters will come through the fray with streaming colors, we are.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA MASS. AGRI. COLLEGE

Arthur L. Chandler

Massachusetts Alpha extends her greetings to all her sister Chapters in Sigma Phi Epsilon, and wishes them a most successful year.

With the opening of college on December 30, 1918, for the second term, the Chapter will begin once more its duties, after

being practically dormant for the first part of the year. Fraternities at M. A. C. were temporarily disbanded this fall, and their houses and rooms were given up for officers' quarters, S. A. T. C. barracks, or provisional dormitories for the few regular students here. Our rooms, although used for army quarters, have been renovated and are in good condition for the year's activities.

Because of the conditions here, we have not been able to hold regular meetings or to initiate brothers or pledge men in any way. But a three weeks' rushing season will start out with the new year, and we have every hope of pledging a good number of men with the true Sigma Phi Epsilon calibre. We will start out the term nearly as strong as we were last year in numbers, despite the war, and should come through the year very successfully.

We were deeply moved upon learning of the death of one of our best-liked and most promising pledges, Lieutenant Warren S. Hathaway, '20, of Somerset, Mass., who was reported dead from the effects of wounds. Lieutenant Hathaway was a candidate in the O. T. S. at Yaphank, N. Y., in 1917, and was sent directly across, where he later earned his commission.

V. D. Collanan, '19, visited us recently; just out of the Camp Lee O. T. S., where he has received his commission in the Infantry Reserve Corps. H. G. Marchant and W. S. Beauregard also showed up on the campus a short time ago. Marchant has been in the aviation in Texas and Beauregard in the Yale Naval Training unit.

It was with great pleasure that we read the announcement of the marriage of Miss Marguerite E. Dobson to Lieutenant James T. Nicholson. Brother Nicholson received his commission at Camp Hancock this summer, and is at present stationed at Camp Custer, Michigan.

Again we wish all the Chapters a most prosperous year.

NEW YORK BETA**CORNELL UNIVERSITY****Charles Garside**

New York Beta, it is hoped, has passed through the crisis brought about by the exigencies of war, and the advent of 1919 will find us reinstalled in our Chapter House under normal, or nearly normal, conditions.

Eleven brothers and one pledge returned to college this fall. They were A. B. Boehm, T. S. Collum, W. H. Quinan, I. B. Baugher, H. E. Brennan, M. H. Forster, and S. W. Ostrom, who enlisted in the navy; K. M. Shaw, D. H. Moffatt, E. H. Dodge, and Lawson (pledge), who chose the army; and C. C. Garside, who went into the Marine Corps. Before the signing of the armistice Shaw and Moffatt were transferred to the Artillery Officers' Training School at Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky.

We held an initiation on October 26th, at the University Club. This initiation will pass into history as the only one ever held outside the Chapter House. The new brothers are:

Archie Nelson Lawson, B. S. '21, Brockton, N. Y.

Gilbert Henry Denton, Jr., A. B. '22, Denver, Col.

Newell Coe Stewart, M. E. '22, Buffalo, N. Y.

We have two other men pledged and hope to have more before Cornell reopens on December 30, 1918.

Shortly after the opening of the University we received word of the deaths from influenza of Brothers "Jack" Eilenberger and "Benjie" Benjamin. Both had received their commissions as lieutenants in the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps and were awaiting "overseas" orders.

On November 4th, Andrew Dickson White, first President of Cornell and often called the "Spiritual Founder" of the University, passed away. He was a truly great man with a career of remarkable usefulness to the State. As an educator, author, statesman and diplomat he met with uniform success in all his endeavors. He was President of Cornell from 1865 to 1885, and since his retirement had served unceasingly as a trustee. His death leaves a great void at Cornell and is a loss not confined to the University which he so well served, but one felt by the entire nation.

New York Beta cannot conclude this letter without mentioning her great ace, Lieutenant James A. Meissner. "Jimmy" has received nearly every decoration available, and we are mighty proud of his great achievements. His most recent award is the D. S. C., with an oak leaf.

In closing this letter New York Beta expresses the hope that all Chapters will resume their pre-war positions very soon and continue to work for a greater Sigma Phi Epsilon.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA**BROWN UNIVERSITY**

L. B. Howell

Peace is here at last, and Brown is preparing to return to a peace basis at the beginning of the New Year. Fraternities are to start up again at that time, and it looks as though Sigma Phi Epsilon would be in the forefront. So far as it is known, there will be three undergraduate brothers back and three graduate brothers also. Our prospects for pledging men are quite bright, and we hope to pledge a goodly number, and get the Chapter once more back on its feet.

Another of Rhode Island's Alpha brothers, John Rice, made the supreme sacrifice for his country November 1st, while fighting at the front.

We hope that the New Year will be a bright and prosperous one for all our sister Chapters, and that it may see a return to the old college and fraternity life.

MICHIGAN ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

J. F. Jordan

Now that the Germans have capitulated, Sigma Phi Epsilon at Michigan is beginning to come back to the normal trend of things again. The S. A. T. C. has been demobilized, and we are making plans for moving back to our house at 621 South State Street. We have also had under consideration the advisability of building a new fraternity house on the site we own on State Street, but nothing definite has been decided as yet. We shall probably wait a year or so until labor and material are cheaper and more plentiful, however. From the reports

which are coming in from the boys in active service, Michigan Alpha should have a very large Chapter when the second semester opens on February 17th.

Several of our active members have left college since demobilization, which was finished on December 14th, but they all expect to return after the Xmas holidays. The University reopens January 7th.

Despite the fact that we were all very busy with the army affairs, we found time to initiate the following men:

Initiated October 26, 1918:

Donald Canning Shelton, '21, Leadville, Col.
Charles Leonard Longwill, '22, Indiana, Pa.
William Leroy Brown, '22, Fayette City, Pa.
Glenn D. Curtis, '21, Edmore, Mich.
Clinton Wilson Longwill, '22, Indiana, Pa.
Benjamin Harold Hamner, Jr., '22, Williamsport, Pa.
Reinhold Erwin Boes, '20, Ann Arbor, Mich.
George Joseph Naylor, '22, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Initiated November 30, 1918:

Glenn Ellis Larsen, '22, Manistee, Mich.
John Brophy, '22, Lockport, N. Y.
James Edgar White, '22, Jackson, Mich.
William Vernon Cox, '21, Steubenville, Ohio.

Every one of these fellows will make Sigma Phi Epsilon stand in the front rank of fraternities at Michigan. The fraternity entertained them at a dance and reception the night of November 30th, after the initiation. Donald B. Darling's home on Forest Avenue was the scene of the merry-making, and every one was in fine spirits, as the armistice had been signed only a few days before. Phil Emery was in attendance, he having dropped in on us while on a furlough from Washington, D. C. Hugo Maas surprised us with a visit about a week ago. He is a lieutenant in the Ordnance Department. We wish all members of Sigma Phi Epsilon a merry Xmas and happy New Year, and are looking forward to visits from all brothers who happen along Ann Arbor way.

Just as we are going to press the news was received that the Michigan Alpha Chapter house was destroyed by fire on the night of January 8th.—Editor.

IOWA ALPHA**IOWA WESLEYAN COLLEGE****W. I. Carper**

This letter finds Iowa Alpha holding her own in spite of many ways in which fate seemed to conspire against her. First we were compelled to give up our house and rent rooms, as we had only two fraters who were in college that were not in the S. A. T. C. We fellows here at the barracks succeeded in pledging what we think is the choicest bunch of freshmen in college.

We were greatly surprised to discover that three of our new men were being urged by another fraternity to break their pledge to us. However, we are now safely past that danger, and of our nine pledges we will lose only one, who is leaving college when the S. A. T. C. is demobilized. We are considering taking the lead in calling for the establishment of an inter-fraternity council in order to bring about better relations between the different fraternities of the college and put a stop to some practices.

After the demobilization of the S. A. T. C. we are planning to go into our house and will take it over the first of the year. We expect to give our "formal" soon after New Year's to celebrate the return to the old regime.

We will in all probability have several of our old men with us again for the second semester to help bring our Chapter roll back to its normal state, and also to help us train our pledges in the ways of Chapter House life.

Our prospects for success the remainder of the year are very bright, and we hope that those of all the other Chapters are the same. We all unite in wishing you the greatest success possible.

COLORADO BETA**UNIVERSITY OF DENVER****E. E. Trout**

In writing to our sister Chapters we do not feel chagrined in admitting our inactivity during the past month, because we feel that all of our Chapters who were concerned in the S. A. T. C. have been also handicapped and deprived of many social gatherings and fraternal meetings.

However, we have better conditions to look forward too, for on the 20th of December we will again settle back into the old college life and will be able to partake once more of the spice of life from old Denver University. During the past two months we have been living in barracks, but in spite of all this, we have nevertheless made a few pledges. We feel that we have pledged mighty good men, three of these men being all around athletes, which will help to keep our Chapter on the same high plain of which it is famous in Colorado.

Our football season has just closed, and Robert Geary has established a record that is hard to beat as a halfback. Johnny Fike is still our coach and did well this season under the trying circumstances. In closing we wish that all Sig Phi Eps will enjoy their Christmas holidays and will start the new year in the old-time fashion.

TENNESSEE ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

No letter has been received from this Chapter.

MISSOURI ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Joseph P. Davies

During the past semester the S. A. T. C. broke up fraternity life at the University of Missouri. Sigma Phi Epsilon suffered, as did the other fraternities. Meetings were prohibited because of the epidemic of influenza.

However, we are going to be back at our old stand, 1409 Rosemary Lane, by the first of the year.

Some of the men will not be back next semester, among whom are Verne Simmons, now at Camp Taylor; Mitchell Tucker, who is with the Marines, and Lee Tipton, now with the Tank Corps. The other brothers who were here in the fall expect to be back to start life again in our old home. We can hardly wait to renew the fellowship.

The problems of many of our sister Chapters are no doubt the same as ours, and Missouri Alpha extends her best wishes to them and offers any possible assistance that it is in her power to render.

WISCONSIN ALPHA**LAWRENCE COLLEGE****F. S. Rosecrance**

Since the last issue of The Journal we have all had good news. Wisconsin Alpha has tried to do her share in the greatest of all struggles, and as the Chapter devoted its energies to the successful pursuance of the war, so now we turn them to the problems of reconstruction.

At the beginning of the year we had only three old men back. F. S. Williams and E. M. Wright have acquitted themselves very creditably as Sergeants in the S. A. T. C. F. S. Rosecrance was elected manager of the 1920 Ariel, the annual year book.

We are pleased to introduce to the fraternity at large.

Initiated October 30, 1918:

Lee C. Rasey, '13, Marion, Wis.

On October 20th we pledged thirteen of the finest fellows in college. Already they are showing their worth, and we are confident with the demobilization of the S. A. T. C. they will avail themselves of further opportunities for showing their strength in college activities. Three of them will be obliged to leave college as soon as they are discharged from the army, because they are needed at home.

Owing to government regulations, fraternities have not been allowed to run their houses this year. In fact, our house has been turned over to the government. We have heard from several of the old men who are coming back, and we are hoping that normal conditions may soon be established.

We hope that sister Chapters have been able to keep up the organization as usual. After all, with somethings denied, we can keep the "old spirit a-going" just the same.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA**PENN. STATE COLLEGE****Lindley R. Strohl**

Despite the adverse conditions, our Chapter is thriving. We lost several of our men, through transfer to O. T. C. Camps, but we have heard from all who have been transferred, and expect them all back for the new year.

Conditions being such, due to army regulations, that we could hold no initiation this month, we will hold it early in January, when we expect to pin the little black heart on our five present pledges, and we find them good "stuff" and feel that they will be of great support to our Chapter.

The Chapter is represented at present by twelve men in active service, nine of which have won their bars and eighteen in the S. A. T. C. Thirty men altogether, of which number we are glad to say we have lost none.

Pennsylvania Etta wishes prosperity and good cheer to her sister Chapters for the coming year, and also unrestricted expansion during the reconstruction period.

OHIO EPSILON**OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY****Arlie H. Krussell**

For three months the S. A. T. C. held the attention of practically every college man in the country. We were offered an opportunity to help win the war, and almost to a man we gave ourselves to the cause. We are glad the war is over, but we regret we could not have done more to bring about that end. Our own battalion was mustered out on December 19th, just at the beginning of our two weeks Christmas vacation. When we return to college we will live at our house, at 133 North Washington Avenue. Once more we will take up the old fraternity life and renew the old spirit and comradeship. We realize now, much better than we ever have before, just how much the fraternity means to us. And we are looking forward to a real home and a real comradeship together.

Eddie Vance paid us a short visit just before vacation, preparatory to his return to business interests in Florida.

Galen Wallace is in college with us once more. Both of these brothers have just recently been discharged from the service.

Ohio Epsilon wishes all the brothers a very merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year. Any time that any brother is in Delaware he is more than welcome with us.

COLORADO GAMMA**COL. AGRI. COLLEGE****C. Milton Tompkins**

With the successful ending of the great world war for Democracy, Colorado Gamma, after having sent off practically all of her brothers, has begun its reconstruction work, namely, the reorganization of the Chapter.

When the Student Army Training Corps became a reality last October, little we thought that the opportunity for fraternal life would return again in such a short space of time. Indeed, three months ago it was the prevailing opinion that a year or more would elapse before we could think of reuniting. However, the crowning events on the other side of the ocean, which led to the termination of hostilities, has made possible an earlier time for reunion.

Our Chapter, as has doubtless been the case with all of our sister Chapters, made a record of which it can well be proud, as far as supplying its quota for service is concerned. The following brothers, all undergraduates, received commissions at various training camps: John Hoerner, Sigmund Landers and John Blanch. Those who attended officers' training camps, having been selected from the S. A. T. C. unit, were Aubrey Bennett, Lewis Rhoades, Lewis Shields, Max Burger, Walter Schumacher, Paul Swisher and Everett Anderson. Brothers J. A. Reed and F. J. Griswold have seen active service in naval units. Stationed at the college in the S. A. T. C. unit have been W. C. Nye, V. E. Keating, F. M. Smith and E. D. Leiby. L. A. Thompson and C. M. Tompkins have been continuing their studies since the opening of the college last October. One of our pledges, Earl Carey, was a candidate at the Officers' Training School at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, up until the armistice was signed.

Colorado Gamma has a decidedly bright outlook for the future. With one or two exceptions, all of our men will return and continue their studies the first of the new year. Besides this nucleus, eighteen new students, pledged during September and October, are expected to return.

The Student Army Training Corps was disbanded on the 12th of December at this institution. Practically all of the

men left for their respective homes for the holiday season. The new college year is to commence the 30th of December and will run for two quarters of twelve weeks each. In this way it is planned to finish the year so that no credits will be lost to the students.

We extend our best wishes to all of our sister Chapters for success in reorganization.

MINNESOTA ALPHA**UNIV. OF MINNESOTA**

Charles V. Netz

We had no letter in the October Journal because we had no one here to write one. There were only a few brothers here, and we had all we could do to keep things going. We faced utter ruin, as all members of our Alumni Association were gone and we had to shoulder their responsibilities as well as our own.

The problem of carrying our house was a trying one. The University offered to rent it, but the amount we would receive in that way would not carry it, so we decided to manage it ourselves. It was rented to girl students under the care of our matron, and it is due to her indomitable spirit that we have pulled through.

But we are getting ready for a good start the first of 1919. We will have enough brothers back to make things interesting again. Some brothers are already drifting back. We hope that the new year will see all the Chapters working hard again, and with redoubled energy.

IOWA BETA**IOWA STATE COLLEGE**

M. G. Van Scoy

Iowa Beta faces the period of reconstruction with very bright prospects. At present we have ten members and twelve pledges, which should be a nucleus for a successful Chapter. Now that the war activities have ceased, several of our brothers should return from the service and again enter our ranks.

Since our last letter the Chapter has been greatly shocked by the news of the death of First Lieutenant E. Peterson. He received his commission at the first Officers' Training School and was sent immediately to France. There he served as an Overseas Training Camp Instructor until he succumbed to pneumonia. In the loss of Brother Peterson Iowa Beta loses one of our staunchest pillars and one of our brightest scholars. His place can never be filled, but we can be consoled in the knowledge that he gave his life in the service of his country.

Several of our brothers have received discharges from the army and have returned to visit us. Lieutenant P. W. Riedesel, who returned from overseas as an instructor was here last week-end, and it certainly was a pleasure to see him once more. Lieutenant E. W. Langdon is planning to visit us in the near future, and no doubt several of the other brothers will drop in on us unawares.

News was recently received of the marriage of Lieutenant MacGibbon, who is stationed in South Carolina. We have also received an announcement of the birth of a daughter to Brother and Mrs. E. E. Axthelm.

We shall soon be in our Chapter House and shall gladly welcome all visiting brothers. Iowa Beta extends the best wishes for a successful reconstruction period to all sister Chapters, so that Sigma Phi Epsilon shall come to the front as in pre-war days.

IOWA GAMMA

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Frank L. Kostlan

Sister Chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon, Iowa Gamma greets you at the beginning of another fraternity year.

The end of the war and the demobilization of army units brings good news to the fraternity. Iowa, too, is seeing her fraternities becoming active again, which means that Iowa Gamma has been "getting up steam." A few days ago our brothers in S. A. T. C. gave a banquet, which was enjoyed by eighteen men. The result was the pledging of four new men, all of whom we are sure will become brothers worthy of the "heart."

Inasmuch as the fraternities here voted to remain inactive during the period of military control, we have at this time no introductions to make to the fraternity.

Our home for the coming year is to be a commodious house, 714 East College Street, which will be in readiness immediately after Christmas. At present we are sure that the new year will find us with at least ten old men back. We are looking for one or two others from whom we have not heard of late. With our four pledges and with other men whom we have in sight, we are confident that the year will be one of successful growth for our Chapter.

We have been fortunate in that none of our Iowa Gamma brothers have lost their lives in the great struggle just over. To those of our sister Chapters that have lost brothers we extend our sympathy. And yet, because of that loss, they will feel that theirs has been a bigger and nobler part.

All brothers coming to Iowa City are welcome to the best we have at 714 East College Street. We are glad indeed to extend our best wishes to all sister Chapters. May the fraternity stand for a brotherhood more broad than ever before.

MONTANA ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Soloman Tintinger

Conditions at Montana are still very much unsettled. The quarantine which has existed since October 5th has had a very serious effect upon the University, and no credits are being given for work this quarter. As a full quarter's credits are required to make students eligible for fraternity membership, there will be no initiations of freshmen until after the next quarter. We have three others, however, whom we hope to introduce in our next letter.

No definite estimate can be made of what conditions will be after the holidays; we are sure of three members and four pledges are returning and hope for others. The Chapter plans opening a house, and looks forward to a promised visit from McLaughlin, Washington Alpha. His advice, we know, will be of great assistance to us.

On the 18th we are to receive our first pay as student soldiers, and all are looking forward to that date.

We trust that all Chapters will start next session in good shape and extend our best Christmas greetings to all members of the fraternity.

OREGON ALPHA

OREGON AGRI. COLLEGE

A. W. McComb

Until the recent dissolution of the S. A. T. C. our Chapter has not had regular meetings and has not initiated any members. Here is a belated account of our doings and our outlook:

When we returned to college this fall with ten old men on the job, we were inducted into the S. A. T. C. and assigned to the various barracks. In order to maintain our standard and not rush headlong into any action that might jeopardize the interests of the fraternity, we decided to pledge only two brothers of our men. We did not promise them initiation until the present conditions cleared up.

Since the signing of the armistice we have pledged a few more men, and we will get back in our house January 1st.

A sad blow came to us December 5th, when Milton Kooreman passed away at Salem. He had been sick for six weeks, and although he was prepared to go, the news came as a shock to all of his friends. Brother Kooreman was president-elect of our Chapter last spring. He was also a member of the Sigma Tau and was president of the Y. M. C. A. The entire Chapter went to Salem to the funeral, and six of the brothers in uniform acted as pall-bearers.

Of the brothers in college now, only two are seniors, Hermon Edwards and Vinton Robinson. The latter is now head of the house, and incidentally he is the only member of last year's 'varsity basket ball team who is on the campus. Allen Manning, the house manager, has been elected president of an associated managers' corporation, the function of which will be to facilitate co-operative buying among the Greeks and house clubs. A. W. McComb has been chosen to edit the Q. A. C. Barometer, which is the official semi-weekly publication of the college.

With the resumption of normal conditions on the campus the Oregon Alpha Chapter is going to hit the ball hard, as it will have to do to get back on its feet. When our boys in the service come home we will try to initiate all the old Oxford Club Alumni, and we will also have several undergraduate students to help build up the Chapter and strengthen its ideals.

We wish all the Chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon a happy and prosperous new year.

KANSAS BETA**KANSAS STATE AGRI. COLLEGE****C. F. Laude**

The demobilization of the S. A. T. C. finds Kansas Beta in a prosperous condition. After leaving our house on October 1st, five of the brothers who were unable to gain admission to the service rented a cottage near the campus. This became the headquarters for all the brothers and pledges in the S. A. T. C. There was not a moment in the day when it was unoccupied. By this means the fraternity has been able to do far more effective work than it had anticipated.

Upon the reopening of the college on December 30th, we return to our former home at 1126 Bluemont Avenue. Our Chapter, however, is so large that we shall have to maintain an annex. We have now thirteen members and eleven pledges, with the likelihood of the return of two or three more brothers after the new year and the securing of two or more additional pledges.

The prospects for Kansas Beta at the present time are so good that we are contemplating building for ourselves in the near future.

We have initiated no new men since those mentioned in the October issue; but expect to announce a number of initiates after the beginning of the second semester.

We have had in the service of the nation in all twenty-three men, distributed as follows: Army, 9; Marines, 1; Navy, 2; S. A. T. C. Officers, 2; Members of S. A. T. C., 9.

There have been no losses of members among us. One of our pledges was killed while flying in France.

We have been able to continue the publication of our Chapter bulletin, and by its means have kept in touch with all the brothers in service and elsewhere.

The news has reached us that Marshall P. Wilder has been commended for gallant conduct under fire and raised to the rank of captain. We are proud of him and of our other brothers in the various Chapters whose records are found in the last number of *The Journal*.

We have had as a visitor for several weeks at our temporary home N. E. Davis, of Kansas Alpha.

We close this letter with best wishes to all the Chapters for a bright and prosperous new year.

DENVER ALUMNI

DENVER, COLORADO

E. O. Stoddard

The activities of Denver Alumni have been forced into the background through the insistence of Old Man "Flu" to remain among us. On two occasions our monthly meetings were called off through the closing orders of a general quarantine. From all indications at the present writing these conditions will soon be alleviated, and once more we will be able to resume our regular monthly meetings.

We are all looking happily into the future until such time as the brothers from the Alumni Chapter who answered the country's call will return to share in taking up the work which lies before us. This task here, as elsewhere, will be an arduous one. We have much work to do in the direction of assisting our local Chapters to readjust themselves to the pre-war basis, as well as in the many changes to come through the period of readjustment, which will mean readaptation. The Denver Alumni Chapter has anticipated this need and has already offered such assistance as the several circumstances seemed to require. However, there is much we should like to do, but our meager means will not permit.

We are indeed glad to welcome two brothers who are now making Denver their headquarters. They are G. B. McNair, of Indiana Alpha, and W. B. Elliott, of Virginia Zeta. We hope to see much of these brothers and trust they will feel perfectly at home in our Chapter.

With the Alumni

Theo. Tredway, Arkansas Alpha, is at the head of the Treadway Electric Company, of Little Rock, and is enjoying a most prosperous business.

S. W. Rogers and A. L. Barber, both of District of Columbia Alpha, have law offices in the Southern Trust Building, at Little Rock, and are enjoying a splendid practice. An office of the firm is also maintained at Conway, Arkansas, Brother Rogers and Lieutenant Gus Henry, of Arkansas Alpha, who has just served nineteen months in the army at Camp Pike, handling the Little Rock office, and Brother Barber residing at Conway.

Dean D. McBrien, Nebraska Alpha, has just returned to Conway, Arkansas, after service in the army and is expecting soon to take up his work again on the faculty of the Arkansas State Normal.

Captain Charles W. Mason, Virginia Epsilon, has been in the service of Uncle Sam, at Camp Pike, Little Rock. He was recently discharged and returned to his practice of law at Nowata, Okla.

Martin Henry, Missouri Alpha, has recently been discharged from the army and has again resumed his work in the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Markets, at Washington.

Charles A. Price, Kansas Alpha, is the advertising manager of the Little Rock Democrat, and has again resumed his position after a month in government service.

Senator George F. Jones has recently been discharged from the Officers' Training Camp at Camp Pike, and is again at his law offices in Little Rock.

Earl V. Arnold, Kansas Alpha, is now professor of law in the University of Florida, at Gainesville.

Dr. Murl Capps, Kansas Alpha, has located at Westphalia, Kansas, in the practice of medicine.

M. O. Lock, Kansas Alpha, who has had a successful career as a lawyer at Topeka, Kansas, has entered the automobile business at Dallas, Texas.

Paul H. Lawless, Kansas Alpha, is located at 419 Studio Building, Kansas City, Mo. He is rapidly obtaining the reputation as the West's most distinguished tenor soloist.

J. W. Ivey, Georgia Alpha, who has offices in the Scarritt Building, Kansas City, as manager of the American Cast-Iron Pipe Company, has been in Washington for several months in special war work. He will return to Kansas City soon and assume his duties again as president of the Kansas City Alumni Association.

Captain Charles C. Dennie, Lieutenant Rex Dively and Sergeant Bliss Wolf, all of Kansas Alpha, have been in France for several months, all members of Base Hospital Unit No. 28, located at Limoges, France.

W. T. Woleben, Illinois Alpha, is in Division No. 1, Naval Auxiliary Reserve, Pelham Bay, N. Y.

Robert Morse, Illinois Alpha, is with the Engineers, now in France.

Dr. J. A. Randall, New Hampshire Alpha, is a First Lieutenant with a Cavalry Troop in France.

B. J. Eastman, New Hampshire Alpha, is Assistant to the Chief Inspector in a naval gun factory. His address is 1505 L Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Benjamin H. Maddox, California Alpha, is with the State Highway Commission, assisting in the work of road building in Southern California.

C. K. Hayes, Iowa Alpha, is Superintendent of Public Schools at New London, Iowa.

The following addresses of the Iowa Beta Alumni have been secured:

Edward E. Axthelm, Logan, Iowa.
Albert E. Beardsley, Shenandoah, Iowa.
Edwin H. Bodley, Hobson, Montana.
Clifford C. Brimmer, Meringo, Iowa.
William I. Cool, 1110 Oregon Avenue, Steubenville, Ohio.
Winn L. Taplin, Plankinton, S. D.
Thomas B. Virden, Douglass, Wyoming.
William H. Youngclass, Webster City, Iowa.

L. G. Foster, Wisconsin Alpha, is now at 318 Russell Avenue, Ames, Iowa.

Camp Lee has been the home of a number of brothers in the past year, among them:

First Sergeant Willis J. Plummer, District of Columbia Alpha, Twenty-seventh Company, C. O. T. S.

C. P. Henderson, Colorado Alpha, Thirty-third Company, C. O. T. S.

F. O. Everett, District of Columbia Alpha, Thirty-ninth Company, C. O. T. S.

P. N. Curtis, Michigan Alpha, First Company Infantry, First Battalion, C. O. T. S.

A. E. Later, Michigan Alpha, First Company Infantry, First Battalion, C. O. T. S.

Forrest Stuart, District of Columbia Alpha, Twenty-sixth Company, C. O. T. S.

R. J. Russell, Colorado Alpha, Thirty-third Company, C. O. T. S.

Matthew W. Black, Pennsylvania Eta, Twenty-seventh Company, C. O. T. S.

C. B. Jones, Virginia Alpha, Thirty-sixth Company, C. O. T. S.

W. B. Elliott, Virginia Zeta, Y. M. C. A. Depot Brigade.

Don Chapman, Missouri Alpha.

Wesley Wright, Jr., Virginia Alpha.

Engagements, Marriages, Births

Engagements

Announcement is made of the engagement of John William Flaig, Ohio Gamma, to Miss Charlotte Wolgamot, Alpha Phi.

The engagement of Harold B. Smith, Vermont Alpha, to Miss Helen Elsie Brinck, of New York City, has been announced.

The December 1st issue of the San Francisco Chronicle announces the engagement of Lieutenant Arvid Paul Croonquist, Washington Alpha, to Miss Marguerite Sullivan, daughter of Judge and Mrs. J. F. Sullivan.

Marriages

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Miller announce the marriage of their daughter, Alta Van Dora, to Mr. William Raymond Essick, Kansas Beta, '18, of the United States Naval Reserve Flying Corps, on Saturday, October 5, 1918, at Kansas City, Mo.

E. L. Weinberg, Colorado Beta, and Miss Marion El Dora Parsons were married in Loveland, Col., on June 10, 1918.

J. Vaughan Gary, Virginia Alpha, and Carolyn Eunice Crosswell were married November 23, 1918. The bride is a sister of William H. Crosswell, Virginia Alpha, who succumbed to pneumonia at the Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va., a few months ago.

Lieutenant William M. MacGibbon, Iowa Beta, was married to Miss Georgia Alliene Reichard, Chi Omega, November 2, 1918. The address is 822 Woodrow Street, Columbia, S. C.

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. James H. Smith announce the marriage of their daughter, Henrietta Immojean, to Mr. D. Finley Wood, Ohio Epsilon, on December 25, 1918, at Greenwich, Ohio. Mr. Wood is now pastor of the Methodist Church at Gallipolis, Ohio.

Births

Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Reed, Kansas Beta, '18, a son,
Wilbur Jackson, October 2, 1918.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. George III., Virginia Alpha,
December 13, 1918, a daughter, Ellen Louise.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Agassiz Stearns, Ohio Epsilon,
a boy, Reid Foster, November 25, 1918.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Munson, New Hampshire Alpha,
a son, Robert, Jr., November 9, 1918.

Born to Brother and Mrs. R. E. Cushman, Illinois Alpha,
a son, Robert Fairfield, November 28, 1918.

Born to Brother and Mrs. Leo M. Meeker, Colorado Alpha,
a son, George R., November 2, 1918.

Born to Brother and Mrs. J. H. Crary, Jr., Colorado Beta,
a son, Richard Howard, November 9, 1918.

Resolutions

RESOLUTIONS FROM MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, to remove from this life our beloved brother,

Earnest Francis Sexton

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by the members of Massachusetts Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, and

Whereas, He gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That Massachusetts Alpha has lost in his death a worthy and brave member in Sigma Phi Epsilon; and be it also

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be published in the fraternity Journal, and a copy be spread upon the records of this chapter.

ARTHUR L. CHANDLER,

ALFRED F. COSBY,

Committee.

We have just learned of the unexpected death of Brother B. Donald Gaw, a charter member and one of the founders of Sigma Phi Epsilon. As The Journal was on the press at the time word was received of Brother Gaw's death, we had no time to obtain particulars. We shall reserve space for a detailed account of it in the March issue of The Journal.

RESOLUTIONS FROM NEW YORK BETA CHAPTER

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has called to Himself our dearly beloved brother,

Everett Farrington Benjamin, and

Whereas, It has become our sad duty to record his death;
and

Whereas, Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a loyal and faithful brother, who gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That New York Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon extend to the family of our deceased brother sincere and heartfelt sympathy in our mutual loss, and that we shall ever cherish his memory as a brother most faithful, loyal, brave and true; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother, a copy be spread on the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

**WICKHAM H. QUINAN,
THAD L. COLLUM**

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom, to take from this life our dearly beloved brother,

John Thomas Eilenberger, and

Whereas, He was ever a true, loyal and noble Sigma Phi Epsilon, who died in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That we, the New York Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, hereby place upon record this memorial of our deep grief in the untimely death of one who was so much to all of us; and be it further

Resolved, That we tender his bereaved family our sincerest and deepest sympathies in our mutual loss; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother, a copy be spread on the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

**WICKHAM H. QUINAN,
THAD L. COLLUM**

RESOLUTIONS FROM OHIO ALPHA

Whereas, Almighty God has seen fit to call to his reward our dearly beloved brother,

Walter Virgil Agin

Whereas, Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a loyal, Christian, and faithful brother, whose life was a worthy example to all, and

Whereas, He answered the call of duty and made the supreme sacrifice for humanity; be it

Resolved, That Ohio Alpha extend her sympathy to the family of Brother Agin, assuring them that their sorrow is ours, and that we cherish with them his name; and be it also further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family and a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter and a copy be published in the fraternity Journal.

Brother Agin was initiated into the Sigma Phi Epsilon on the 26th day of February. He was a member of the class of '18.

While in college he was a hard worker and excelled in oratory. He brought "Old Northern" and Sigma Phi Epsilon many honors in that line.

At the declaration of war he left college and entered the first Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, from which he received his commission.

Lieutenant Agin was killed in action somewhere in France on October 1, 1918.

W. M. TROSTLE,
F. MILO HETTISH,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF PENNSYLVANIA ETA

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call to his reward our dearly beloved brother,

Charles Norman Hammond

Whereas, He was held in such high esteem by the members of this Chapter because of his love and devotion to his fraternity and his brothers; and

Whereas, By his life and character he set such an example as only one of the truest nobility can give; be it

Resolved, by the Pennsylvania Eta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, That in his death Sigma Phi Epsilon and his family have lost a man whose integrity and judgment could never be questioned; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend our most heartfelt sympathy to his wife in this, the greatest sorrow of any; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy spread upon the records of this Chapter, and that a copy be printed in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

RALPH A. HOOKS,
MYLES L. THOMAS,
Committee.

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RESOLUTIONS FROM MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, to remove from this life our beloved brother,

Earnest Francis Sexton

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by the members of Massachusetts Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, and

Whereas, He gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That Massachusetts Alpha has lost in his death a worthy and brave member in Sigma Phi Epsilon; and be it also

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be published in the fraternity Journal, and a copy be spread upon the records of this chapter.

ARTHUR L. CHANDLER,

ALFRED F. COSBY,

Committee.

We have just learned of the unexpected death of Brother B. Donald Gaw, a charter member and one of the founders of Sigma Phi Epsilon. As The Journal was on the press at the time word was received of Brother Gaw's death, we had no time to obtain particulars. We shall reserve space for a detailed account of it in the March issue of The Journal.

RESOLUTIONS FROM NEW YORK BETA CHAPTER

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has called to Himself our dearly beloved brother,

Everett Farrington Benjamin, and

Whereas, It has become our sad duty to record his death; and

Whereas, Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a loyal and faithful brother, who gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That New York Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon extend to the family of our deceased brother sincere and heartfelt sympathy in our mutual loss, and that we shall ever cherish his memory as a brother most faithful, loyal, brave and true; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother, a copy be spread on the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

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Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom, to take from this life our dearly beloved brother,

John Thomas Eilenberger, and

Whereas, He was ever a true, loyal and noble Sigma Phi Epsilon, who died in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That we, the New York Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, hereby place upon record this memorial of our deep grief in the untimely death of one who was so much to all of us; and be it further

Resolved, That we tender his bereaved family our sincerest and deepest sympathies in our mutual loss; and be it further

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By the Grand Secretary

This is the first time any issue of the Journal handled by this office has been a month late in appearing, and we therefore consider our apology not one of the stock kind.

THE JOURNAL

Of course, the war is to blame as well as the lack of help to handle the ever increasing amount of work that the Central Office is trying to turn out. The Chapters have responded promptly with the letters for this issue, which has made it much easier for the publishers. The May issue will be run just when the Central Office will be the busiest of all the session, and it is hoped that no extra requests will have to be sent out for Chapter letters. Have them in not later than May 5th.

Send the photograph of the Chapter group as quickly as possible.

Four District Conferences have been held this session, and all have been decided successes. By these meetings we have

DISTRICT CONFER- ENCES

been able to learn a great deal about the conditions in our near-by Chapters, and also that the problems we have been giving our thought to are also being considered by the others.

The absence of legislation in the conferences makes it possible for the delegates to direct all of their attention to the Chapters' real problems, and all that have been represented should be better prepared for the Conclave.

It is hoped that every District will have a Conference next session.

The Executive Committee met at Lincoln, Neb., February 1st and 2nd and decided to hold a Conclave at Indianapolis October 23, 24, 25, 1919. The meetings will take

INDIAN- place at the Claypool Hotel. As the Grand
APOLIS Chapter has not held a Conclave since November,
OCTOBER 1916, it is expected that the meeting at
23rd, 24th, 25th Indianapolis will be very large and enthusiastic.

Do not limit your representation to delegates, but make an effort to get as many active and Alumni members as possible to attend.

The statements sent April 1st have been attended to very promptly by **most** Chapters, and another statement will be sent at the close of the session. These are necessary as a check on the accounts of the Grand
FINANCIAL Secretary in the audit taken August 15th.
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Tenth Anniversary of the Inter-Fraternity Conference

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

On the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Inter-Fraternity Conference, your Executive Committee has deemed it advisable to prepare an account of its relations with one branch of the Government during this war, and it does so for its historical value, and in order that the members of all fraternities should be acquainted with the operations of the Conference, which for ten years has consistently pursued the policy of improving relations between fraternities and college authorities; for the betterment of conditions of undergraduate life and strengthening the relations of alumni to colleges and fraternities. This year the character of the personnel of fraternity members has been tested. This year the strength of your organization has also been tested; and the following account of our relations with the War Department and the members of the Conference determines one question finally—the Inter-Fraternity Conference has been justified, strengthened and placed in a position of influence by the co-operation of the fraternities themselves, their members, and the unity and harmony of purpose, which, under the direction of your Executive Committee, has animated every fraternity during this trying period.

Early in September we became aware that Students' Army Training Corps were to be established by the War Department in the various colleges of the United States and, with our educational institutions under Government control, we realized the possible effect of such control upon fraternities and commenced to mobilize our forces.

At that time it was exceedingly difficult to secure any trustworthy information concerning this matter.

Therefore, we wrote to the Third Assistant Secretary of War, Mr. Frederick P. Keppel, on September 13, 1918, a letter in which we asked two questions: Can fraternities be maintained in colleges where the S. A. T. C. has been established by the War Department; and under what conditions are the houses to be taken?

Thereupon, we began immediately an independent inquiry concerning the S. A. T. C., and secured copies of the documents received by Columbia University, and sought therein answers to our inquiries.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was called for September 23rd, thinking that would give us ample time to receive an answer from Mr. Keppel and for a survey of the situation.

As the time approached for our meeting, and as there was no reply from Mr. Keppel, our Secretary, Mr. McCorkle, wrote and wired Colonel Rees, of the General Staff, Chairman of the Committee on Education and Special Training, having in charge the Students' Army Training Corps, asking about the status of fraternities, and whether men could be initiated.

The replies received indicated that Fraternities would be considerably restricted, but these replies were not received until after the meeting of our Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee met on September 23rd, and I submitted a survey of the S. A. T. C., together with my conclusions.

This report was received, filed, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the Executive Committee recommend that all fraternities co-operate with the military and college authorities, by offering their chapter houses for the use by the Students' Army Training Corps, and, except so far as the military conditions in student communities may not interfere, the fraternities should continue their organizations and activities."

On October 25th, a circular letter containing this resolution was sent to all members of this Conference.

On October 23, 1918, the Dean of Columbia College sent a letter to all fraternities of Columbia calling a conference for October 24th. Your Chairman was invited and attended this meeting, at which all fraternities were represented. In his letter Dean Hawkes speaks of fraternities as "supplemental educational institutions."

The recognition by the University of the position of fraternities and the recognition of the Dean, a non-fraternity man, of the value of fraternities to the college as "supplemental edu-

cational institutions," marks a distinct advance in the relations of fraternities to college authorities, and this is attributable to the influence of this Conference.

The students asked the Dean to obtain the consent of the Administrative Board of the S. A. T. C. to permit the continuance of fraternities, which permission was granted, and on November 6th the Dean issued a memorandum to the fraternities at Columbia, in which he says: "I wish to emphasize, however, the importance from the point of view of the College of keeping the spark of fraternity life alive even during this period." * * * "There is no objection to meetings of purely business character." He further states that he is authorized by the Administrative Board to say that such business meetings may properly be held at any time not inconsistent with academic or military appointments. In response to a letter from us he informed us at a later date that at such meeting men may be initiated.

We submit this as a sane and sound treatment of the whole question, and as an example of the way college authorities should have acted. At this meeting resolutions were adopted endorsing the position which our Executive Committee had taken on the previous day.

On September 26th we received an answer from Mr. Keppel in which he enclosed a memorandum which the Chairman of the Committee on Education and Special Training had drafted upon the question of fraternities, and which is signed by Colonel R. I. Rees, General Staff, Chairman. We read this memorandum very carefully and came to the following conclusion:

(a) That this was an official statement of the purposes of the War Department in the establishment of the S. A. T. C. and its bearing on fraternities;

(b) That the War Department considered that fraternity activities are incompatible with military discipline;

(c) That operation of fraternities should be suspended for the period of the war; and that the best interests of the fraternities require such suspension;

(d) An appeal to patriotism of the fraternities and a request to show the same sort of loyalty and service that the colleges have shown.

We did not concede that fraternity activities are incompatible with military discipline, but we realized that some activities would have to be omitted in order that fraternities might be permitted to retain their organizations and not be suspended or abolished. Neither then nor now do we concede that fraternities are less loyal than colleges.

After reading this memorandum I conferred with Mr. McCorkle and Mr. Cheney, but could not reach all members of the Executive Committee. After carefully considering the matter we agreed that unless we met the situation promptly, there was great danger that the life of college fraternities would be seriously endangered and a possible prohibition placed on their continuance. We concluded that it was useless to attempt to do anything by correspondence. The time was too short, the S. A. T. C. was to be established on October 1st, consequently we deemed it necessary that your officers should proceed to Washington and take the matter up with the War Department at once and secure a ruling or modification of the memorandum.

Your Chairman and Secretary left New York on the midnight train on September 29th and arrived at the War Department at nine o'clock, September 30th. We called on Mr. Keppel, who received us and took us to the office of Colonel Rees, who was not in his office, and we saw his assistant, Major Joy. We immediately took up with him the matter as laid down in a memorandum which he had prepared:

Subject: "Memorandum to Fraternities."

Dated—September 25, 1918.

To Col. R. I. Rees, Chairman,
Committee on Education and Special Training,
General Staff,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

From the Inter-Fraternity Conference.

The Inter-Fraternity Conference, composed of forty men's Fraternities, located in several hundred Universities and Colleges, and having a membership of approximately five hundred

thousand men, and property of more than \$12,000,000, respectfully submits this memorandum:

1. The Fraternities have co-operated in every way with the Government in the prosecution of this war for freedom.

- (a) Have placed their Chapter houses in all colleges for the use of the S. A. T. C. at the disposal of the Government.
- (b) Have pledged their resources for the successful prosecution of the war.
- (c) Are 100 per cent. American, and have given freely of their members for service.
- (d) Are prepared to make every necessary sacrifice to assist in the development of the efficient training of men in the S. A. T. C.

2. Will agree that Fraternity activities, in the usually accepted terms, should be discontinued, and will agree to discontinue such activities as are incompatible with military discipline, and recognizes that the establishment of the S. A. T. C. has changed the normal activities of college life, and has made them institutions for intensive military training.

3. The Fraternities respectfully submit that they have existed as institutions of college life for nearly one hundred years, and are recognized as supplemental educational institutions, and have the highest ideals of Honor, Truth, and the privileges of American citizenship.

As a class the college men have been first to offer their services in the war, as in all previous crises, and of the college men, the Fraternity men have been and are the leaders. They have had instilled into them loyalty and service, and they are today valuable factors in promoting and maintaining the morale of the service.

As a whole, they are democratic and have no social cleavage. Their members are chosen for fitness and congeniality and, as men pursuing similar courses, it is a natural association. Therefore, we cannot believe that the War Department desires an entire suspension of the American College Fraternities.

4. The Fraternities, through their accredited representatives, submit that the War Department should make it plain that it does not desire the suspension of the life of the Fraternities.

and that the objects and aims of the Department are fully satisfied by the suspension of their normal activities, in the meaning that this term has acquired, and that it does not object to the meeting of fraternity men at times and in places that do not conflict with military regulations.

Fraternities have already shown the same spirit of loyalty and service that the Colleges have shown, and, like the Colleges, should be permitted to maintain their organizations during this emergency.

In conclusion, we desire to pledge anew to the Government of the United States, our entire resources of men and material for the successful conclusion of this war, and affirm our belief in the President of the United States, and in the justice of our cause.

Respectfully submitted,

INTER-FRATERNITY CONFERENCE,

By James Duane Livingston, Chairman.

Henry H. McCorkle, Secretary.

Sept. 28, 1918.

We believe this statement answered the objections raised by the War Department and truly sets forth the facts about fraternities.

It will be noted that we agreed to suspend normal activities, agreed to co-operate in every way with the War Department in the operation of the S. A. T. C., and requested a statement from the War Department that we be privileged to continue our life and organizations at the colleges and, to that end, hold meetings. Major Joy heard what we had to say, but took the position that this was a great Democratic army; that he believed that fraternities should suspend all operations, not take any men, hold one or two meetings of Chapter members and arrange to turn over everything to Alumni control for the period of the war. To this we dissented and said that this would mean death to the fraternities. Thereupon he said that he would get another member of his Committee and talk with him about it. While we were awaiting his return an officer entered the room, sat down at his desk, and turning to us said, "Gentlemen, I am Colonel Rees. What can I do for you?" Thereupon, we stated our business, and told him that we were the represen-

tatives of the Inter-Fraternity Conference, and came to confer with him relative to his "Memorandum to Fraternities," dated September 25th, and to ask him for a ruling on the status of Fraternities in Colleges after the establishment of the S. A. T. C.; that Mr. Keppel had referred us to him, and that we desired to make our position clear; that while we recognized the changed conditions in institutions where the S. A. T. C. was established, we did not believe that the War Department desired to abolish fraternities, but that we believed that that portion of his memorandum was a misapprehension of fraternity activities; that we were ready to do everything to make the S. A. T. C. a success; that we had already co-operated with the Government in every way, but we called his attention to the fact that the students would have some free time, even under the schedule of work adopted; that we believed that in the student soldier's free time, that he should be allowed to meet with his fraternity men, in such places and at such time, as would not interfere with military discipline or regulations.

Colonel Rees gave us the closest attention and interrupted several times to ask us questions and express his own views. At the close of our argument, he asked us whether we were authorized to speak for the fraternities, and we told him that we were, and called his attention to the memorandum that we had prepared and addressed to him.

Then he said that if we would leave this memorandum with him, that he would call a meeting of his committee, render a decision and send us an official reply.

During this conference we were asked if we were prepared to say whether fraternities would initiate men, in view of the fact that these men would remain only a short time in the college, as it was the intention to pull men out and send them to a training camp as soon as possible, and he did not think that fraternities would want such men as would not harmonize with fraternity ideals. We told him that we were not authorized to speak for the fraternities on this matter, the Conference was not a law making body, and could only make recommendations; that each fraternity was the judge of its own membership as to qualifications, and that it would be up to each fraternity to pass on this point; that personally, I agreed with him, that if men were to remain in the S. A. T. C. such a short time, that I did not think it would be wise to take in such men. He did not refer to this point again.

We then pressed him on the necessity of maintaining the fraternity organizations, and he agreed with us that this would be advisable, and it appeared from Major Joy's information that in most colleges initiations had already taken place, and therefore the question that was then debated was as to meetings, and Colonel Rees asked Major Joy his opinion as a fraternity man as to what he thought the Committee should rule. Major Joy then repeated that he thought that the existence of fraternities was incompatible with military discipline, but they might be permitted to hold one or two meetings to turn over to Alumni the charters of their Chapters, but that ceremonials should be omitted. Colonel Rees asked if it would be possible for fraternities to omit ceremonials and hold business meetings, if the War Department should decide in favor of the continuance of fraternities. We told him that we were prepared to recommend to fraternities to discontinue all the ordinary activities during the emergency, provided we were privileged to maintain our organizations and hold meetings at times that were free to students.

At this point, Major Joy again expressed his views that there should only be one or two meetings; that most fraternities had already initiated.

We told him and Colonel Rees, that if this opinion prevailed, that notwithstanding all the nice things that had been said about fraternities, that they would strangle fraternities, and with this thought we concluded our interview after they had advised us that a meeting of the Committee would be held immediately, the question decided, and that we would be officially advised of the result. Thereupon we left them.

Mr. Keppel had previously invited us to return to him if we did not get what we wanted, consequently we returned, and when Mr. Keppel asked us how we had got on, we told him that if Major Joy was permitted to impress his opinion on the Committee, that American College Fraternities would be killed; that Colonel Rees had been most courteous to us, and had promised to have his Committee meet and decide the question that afternoon and send us an official ruling.

We then left the War Department, and after luncheon I returned to the War Department and met Colonel Rees just as he was leaving the building. I stopped him, and he told me that his Committee had decided the questions, and that if I would

call at his office that I could secure a copy of the decision. I did so, received a copy, but was told that as Colonel Rees had not seen it, it was unofficial, and that it would be confirmed by letter. The memorandum is as follows:

September 30, 1918.

"The War Department, considering that fraternity activities are incompatible with military discipline in the very nature of things, feels that it is in the best interest of the service that they be suspended in institutions where units of the Students' Army Training Corps have been established, for the period of the present emergency. By 'Fraternity activities', as above used, is meant the social side of fraternity life—the living of the members together in Chapter houses and the functions and meetings of the social or ceremonial nature.

"Realizing, however, that some fraternity organization must be kept intact to insure the resumption of fraternity activities when the present emergency has passed, the War Department will interpose no objection to the holding of such meetings as are of purely business character."

It will be seen, however, from this memorandum, that the decision of the Committee recognized the justice of our position as outlined in our memorandum of September 28th. The War Department still adheres to its position that fraternity activities are incompatible with military discipline, and then defines fraternity activities and feels that they should be suspended for the period of the war.

It then states, "realizing, however, that some fraternity organization should be kept intact to insure the resumption of fraternity activities when the present emergency shall have passed, the War Department will interpose no objection to the holding of such meetings as are of a purely business character.

This was in accord and agreement with statements made at our interview. We were willing to discontinue normal fraternity activities, provided we were permitted to hold meetings, not one meeting, but meetings for keeping intact fraternity organizations and preserving the life of the American College Fraternity.

We returned to New York that afternoon and patiently awaited the official letter of confirmation before taking action

and advising fraternities, and then on Wednesday, as we had heard nothing, I wrote Colonel Rees on October 2nd and wired him on October 4th asking him for an official confirmation.

Colonel Rees' letter of October 4th confirmed our arrangement and says that the informal memorandum (September 30th) "sets forth the policy of the War Department in this matter, at the present time, as definitely settled upon, the policy being that fraternity activities of a social or ceremonial nature should be suspended, but that no objection will be interposed to the holding of meetings of a purely business character, called to the end of conserving fraternity organization for resumption after the war."

On receipt of this letter we sent to all members of the Conference a circular letter containing this correspondence. In the preparation of this letter it was deemed wise to confine ourselves to its subject matter and not make any recommendations, although we realized that all fraternities would probably desire a ruling on the question of initiations. It seemed clear to us that if we were to maintain organizations we must initiate new men, especially if men were to be detached from the S. A. T. C. and sent to training camps immediately. After sending this letter we received many letters and telegrams asking the direct question, to which we replied that fraternities must be maintained, men may be pledged. Initiated at business meetings and usual ceremonies omitted. In order that it might receive an official interpretation a meeting of the Executive Committee was called (held October 10th), and at that meeting the following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That in the opinion of the Executive Committee of the Inter-Fraternity Conference, the memorandum of the Committee of the War Department on Education and Special Training, dated September 30, 1918, and confirmed on October 4, 1918, permits the pledging and initiation of men, provided all ceremonials and social activities are omitted; that the War Department will interpose no objection to business meetings held to the end of conserving fraternity organizations for resumption after the war"; and a further resolution was adopted recommending that any action taken by any Chapter should be taken only after conference and co-operation with the other fraternities and after conference with the authorities of the institution.

On October 14th a circular letter was sent to all members of the Conference containing the resolutions and its construction.

The War Department, however, had not issued any memorandum dealing with initiations. We considered the question as definitely settled and no other interpretation seemed possible. In the meantime conditions at the colleges became chaotic. Deans, college and military authorities were interpreting the memorandum of September 25th in many different ways. Results disastrous to fraternities were seen and trouble arose at Brown, Dartmouth, Syracuse, Williams, Rutgers, Vermont, Colorado, Richmond, Georgetown, and other institutions which have either been settled or are in process of settlement at this time.

The appearance in newspapers of articles and editorials all quoted the War Department's memorandum of September 25th as putting a bar on fraternities, and the papers were filled with these articles. A spirit of unrest was aroused everywhere and numerous letters from fraternities were received giving individual instances, requesting relief, suggesting publicity, and the publication of all correspondence.

It was apparent that no confirmation of our agreement with the War Department had been sent to Commanders and College Authorities, and it was difficult for fraternities to have the authorities reconcile our action with the papers before them. Finally, on October 26th, we wrote to Colonel Rees asking him if he had put in effect our agreement of September 30th, and he replied that a memorandum had been sent to all colleges and commanders. Thereupon we wrote him asking him to send a copy so that it could be sent to the fraternities. A reply to this letter was delayed, and in the meantime we learned that the Secretary of War would be in New York on November 3rd; and through Mr. H. I. Brightman we made an appointment with him. At this interview Secretary Baker heard a very complete statement of the case and made notes of the statements and said that these orders would be cancelled.

It appeared that the President of Dartmouth College had called Colonel Rees on the telephone and asked him about the memorandum of September 30th, and was told that the fraternities could hold one or more meetings for the purpose of arranging for turning over the Chapters to Alumni during the war, and that no pledging or initiating would be permitted.

This placed a very different interpretation upon our agreement, and Secretary Baker promised to straighten out this matter after he returned to Washington, and the matter was left in his hands. On November 15th we received the following letter:

“War Department,
Office of the Chief of Staff,
Washington.

(Rec'd Nov. 15, 1918)
November 13, 1918.

My Dear Mr. Livingston:

I have been holding your letter of October 30th pending the issuance to commanding officers of Students' Army Training Corps units of new regulations on the fraternity question. I am enclosing herewith a copy of these regulations and beg to say that we have not the slightest objection to your sending copies to the fraternities.

It is thought that these latest regulations should satisfactorily clear the whole situation. Their latitude is made possible by the splendid type of men who have answered the call of the Students' Army Training Corps, and by the splendid co-operation of the fraternities themselves, the thanks of the War Department for which I desire to extend to the fraternities through you.

I wish to express my appreciation of the kind sentiments conveyed in your letter. No less gratifying than the promotion itself is the feeling that those who know me consider that it is merited and are glad with me for the honor bestowed.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) R. I. REES,

Brigadier General, General Staff Chairman of Committee on
Education and Special Training.

MR. J. D. LIVINGSTON,

Chairman, Inter-Fraternity Conference,
“ Pine Street, New York City ”

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"November 8, 1918.

Rec'd Nov. 15, 1918.

Administration Memo.

No. 49.

I. Fraternities.

1. Administration Memo No. 30, on the subject of 'Fraternities,' is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor:

It is desired that no restrictions shall be placed on elections to fraternities; also that no restrictions shall be placed on fraternity activities, including initiations and meetings, except such as are clearly necessary to preserve proper military training and discipline. In determining what, if any, restrictions are essential, commanding officers will exercise tact and good judgment.

By direction of the Committee,

CHESLEIGH H. BRISCOE,

Major, Inf., U. S. A. Administrative Officer."

On the same day we issued a circular letter enclosing a copy of Administration Memo No. 40, by which the War Department desired that no restrictions shall be placed on elections to fraternities; also that no restrictions should be placed on fraternity activities, including initiations and meetings, except such as are clearly necessary to preserve proper military training and discipline. In determining what if any, restrictions are essential, commanding officers will exercise tact and good judgment.

We feel that the Inter-Fraternity Conference can thank the Secretary of War for his interest and co-operation in this matter.

In their relations with the College Authorities and Commanders of the Students' Army Training Corps, we feel that fraternity men must have conducted themselves with honor and obtained the respect of their commanders and must have been faithful to the principles with which they were imbued upon joining a fraternity, and that it is due to the co-operation of the fraternities and their members with the college authorities and the commanders of the Students' Army Training Corps that obtained the final result.

In closing I would simply quote from Colonel Rees' letter the following:

"It is thought that these latest regulations should satisfactorily clear the whole situation. Their latitude is made possible by the splendid type of men who have answered the call of the Students' Army Training Corps, and by the splendid co-operation of the fraternities themselves, the thanks of the War Department for which I desire to extend to the fraternities through you."

In accordance with the above request we take this opportunity to convey the thanks of the War Department to the fraternities for their splendid co-operation during this emergency. We have set out these matters with some care and with considerable thought, with the idea that there are thousands of fraternity men, members of our organizations, who are not acquainted with the aims and the purposes of the Conference. It seems to us that no single act has justified the existence of the Conference so much as the conduct and action of the fraternities during the war. There is no question but that the War Department felt originally that in the Students' Army Training Corps there was no necessity or place for fraternities. It was no easy matter to convince them. Those having this matter in charge were not, as a rule, fraternity men. They had not been educated to the sense of loyalty and service which our fraternities endeavor to impress upon their members. They had the idea that fraternities were undemocratic, had social cleavages, and did not fit themselves into the general scheme of the S. A. T. C. No single fraternity could have obtained the original modification of the memorandum of September 25th, and the critical moment in our interview was when we told the authorities that we were authorized to speak for the fraternities, and that any agreement that we made with them would undoubtedly be adopted by all fraternities. Under these conditions the War Department recognized the strength of our position and saw that it was not necessary to abolish fraternities to produce a loyal, faithful and efficient army. Firm in the belief of the justice of our cause, steadfast in the soundness of our ideals, and dedicated to the principles of lawful government, we determined to maintain the ideals of our fraternities, our devotion to principles and loyalty to the United States conceding non-essentials but maintaining our self-respect, ready to sacrifice all,

if necessary, but unwilling to suspend the life of the American College Fraternities for one moment, if unnecessary.

In conclusion, we feel that we have established before the world an impregnable position. We have fought the fight; we have kept the faith.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES DUANE LIVINGSTON,
Chairman.

November 30, 1918.

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Foreword

By W. H. P. Faunce

The Inter-Fraternity Conference, after a decade of effective work, now finds itself to be only one expression of the great democratic movement that is sweeping round the world. Steadily the Conference has stood against isolation, exclusiveness, prejudice and pride, steadily it has stood for clean manhood, wide horizons and the whole-hearted service of the nation.

If the critic asks how self-perpetuating groups can be democratic, our answer is ready: Only through loyalty to the smaller group can the individual be trained for the service of all. As the single family trains the boy for citizenship, as the single squad trains the soldier for marching with his regiment, so a small college group dominated by high ideals may be, and often has been, the finest possible school for the effective service of the nation and the world. To give up the family in order to promote universal brotherhood would be a reform against nature; to break up the squad in order to improve the regiment would be folly. Rather must we seize the groups as we find them—family, or squad, or group of friends—and by removing selfishness and suspicion, by exalting the ideal of public service, build them into the enduring structure of the nation.

But the Inter-Fraternity Conference needs no apologia pro vita sua. It needs only steady faith in its fundamental principles and persistent endeavor to plant the spirit of loyal brotherhood in the hearts of the future leaders of America.

A DECADE OF INTER-FRATERNITY COMITY

For ten years, at this season of national thanksgiving, we have met here in New York as fraternity men, to hold conference together upon policies of common interest and problems of common importance. There has been great freedom of discussion and generous response to calls for information. On some questions there have been sharp differences of opinion and much lively debate. But there is no one who has been associated in the comradeship of this organization, whether for the entire period of its existence or for a shorter term of years, who has not experienced the steadily intensifying feeling of

friendship here developed. It has been as surprising as it has been gratifying that there has been so little of friction in our meetings. From all parts of our country we have come to join hands in a real fraternal companionship. Representatives of organizations, once called rivals and enemies, have seen the artificial barriers of local prejudice and established tradition broken down. That these walls of separation have fallen down forever, no one doubts. We have met face to face. We have looked eye to eye. We have been drawn heart to heart. There is not a fraternity leader in the United States who has availed himself of the opportunity of sharing in these Conferences who has not had his life enriched through the widening of the circle of friendship which has been brought about here at the shrine of this super-fraternity.

As thought has turned to the accomplishment of the Conference since that auspicious morning when President Faunce, in the name of the Religious Education Association, outlined the possibilities of closer co-operation of fraternity men, certain results have seemed clear and distinct. The dictionary defines religion to be "an essential part of a practical test of the spiritual life." Is there a member of the Conference, who has reflected upon the subject at all, who now has any doubt of the original propriety of the initiation of such a movement as this by an association for religious education?

The first and greatest gain from the Conference to college men, collectively represented under a fraternity name, is that we have learned to know ourselves. Before the Conference was called there were occasional fraternity workers who thought they knew their own organization. They had studied constitution and ritual and had caught a glimpse of lofty idealism. They had attended conventions and reunions and had experienced the rich joys of human friendship. They had counseled together and had prided themselves on their administrative achievements. They knew that their Chapters had participated in local contests with rivals and, perchance, had come off victorious in the autumn struggles for new members. They knew that their Chapters had become accustomed to secure for their fraternity the more important places in the elections for so-called college honors. In an earlier period of fraternity history, perhaps they had shared the sweet satisfaction of triumph in the debates of literary societies, in state or interstate oratorical contests, or when the coveted valedictory or salutatory was awarded by

the faculty to one of their Chapter comrades. With vision circumscribed by their own insularity, they counted themselves unquestioned leaders. With judgment warped by personal prejudice or shaped by inadequate information, they ranked beneath their own the other fraternities whose names they knew.

Then came the Conference with its questionnaires and its comparisons, its confessions and its confidences. The fraternity, at last and for the first time, knew itself. It knew that some of its cherished features of organization were good, because other fraternity workers were discovered searching for something like them. It knew that some of the things it had permitted were bad, because the burden of testimony bore harshly upon them. It knew that some of its ideals were lofty, because strong men in the Conference from other fraternities pointed the way along the same high plane. It knew that some were low, because in an atmosphere of inquiry and inspiration, it felt the sure sense of shame, as the low were criticized and condemned.

And the second gain is like the first: We have learned to know one another. Once we thought we knew, because some renegade had betrayed to us the mystic meaning of Greek letters or had opened to our understanding the secret symbolism of crescent or cross, of dagger or diamond, of star or scroll, of the pierced heart or the golden chain. Once the wisdom we gained from the careless exposure of the grip, or from the study of the purloined ritual or constitution brought us belief that we knew one another. Here, in the council chamber of a common cause, we have had brought home to us the knowledge that the friendly or brotherly tokens once considered the facts of fraternity are but the outward expression of other and deeper meanings. Here we have caught the loftier vision of love, comradeship and character. Here we have learned "the infinite worth of a life of service, the infinite meanness of a life of selfishness." Here our own ideals have been scrutinized, modified, uplifted, as some one, from another association has traversed again for us the roadway of his experience, or, in fancy, has caught us up and carried us onward to the mountain top of his inspiration. The old fraternity has gained suggestions from the new. The small has appreciated the strength of the large. The eastern has learned to respect the western and the southern. The novice in fraternity work has felt his own strength increase as he has measured his aspirations and ambitions by

the activities and the achievements of the veteran. The fraternity once criticized, perhaps condemned, because of local meanesses or neighborhood jealousies, has been given the fairer consideration of wider vision. The fraternity once exalted in position and power, because of vague tradition or self-proclaimed virtues, has found its rightful place nearer the common level. The conviction that high ideals and noble manhood attach to the workers in every fraternity, regardless of its age or birth-place, has strengthened the faith and sobered the judgment of us all. The discovery that relatively new Chapters in Idaho and Kansas and Colorado, possibly of new fraternities, may furnish helpful suggestions to old established Chapters in ivy-clad lodges in New England has nationalized the spirit of us all. And, as a result of this better knowledge, one of the other, better knowledge of institutions, better knowledge of men, inter-fraternity relationships everywhere have been transformed. The honest things and the honorable have issued their challenge, where, in days gone by, the champion fought with weapons of deceit and defamation. If the estimate of the worth of the Conference ended right here, it would have justified its ten years of service a thousand fold.

There have been other and more tangible gains from the Conference. The Chapter home and the Chapter conscience alike have been helped. Liquor, gambling, idleness, immorality and snobbishness, those ills of many a year, have been dealt hard blows. The Chapter house has become more homelike. Its atmosphere has been more wholesome. Fraternity scholarship has been greatly stimulated. The responsibility of the older members for the younger has been emphasized. The changed character of Chapter and fraternity has attracted attention of professor and dean and student body, while good business methods, once wholly overlooked, are now made part of Chapter administration, under uniform accounting systems and stricter supervision by national and regional officials. Some of these advances might have come in regular routine without any interchanges of ideas and of experiences, such as we have enjoyed here. But every member of the Conference will concede without question the far-reaching effect upon Chapters all over America of the discussions and deliberations of this annual assembly during the decade now ended. For the Conference has served as a power house, from which, on high tension lines, loftier ideals of life have been transmitted over river and moun-

tain, through valley and across prairie, to the colleges and universities from Maine to California.

In recent months our system has been put to the test. Our ritualistic and inspirational teachings have seen their rich fruitage. The many discouraged hours of the fraternity official were forgotten; all the questionings about real values were ended, when, from every Chapter house, at the call of country, those who wear the badges we prize rushed forth to fight for national honor, for world democracy, for the eternal God. We have followed them with pride as they have faced the foe. We have mourned for them as they have fallen at the front. But, even as we have laid our costly sacrifices upon the altar of human freedom, we have renewed our faith in that idealism, which, amid the darkness of the initiation chamber, was implanted in our lives, as we pledged eternal fealty to it, made our vows to human friendship, swore to "bear our part in human labor, take our share in human strife." If some carping critic of yesterday return to renew his attack against the college fraternity and to condemn its product, our only answer need be to point to starred lists of Alumni organizations, to emptied Chapter houses, to long lines of khaki-clad youth, to the rolls of the heroes in many a fierce fight, to the rows of graves beneath the poppies of Flanders fields, "out there at the Front, where their all they gave, our lives and the Soul of Life to save."

Companions and counselors in a constructive Conference, friends and fellow-workers in the fraternity field, we have a right to pride in what we have been enabled to accomplish together in the past ten years. Along the eastern horizon we see the eager, confident, expectant heralds of a new and better civilization. The demands upon us as fraternity leaders will be many and insistent. Let us here and now vow, as members together in a larger brotherhood, to "so live in all true manliness, as to be an inspiration, strength and blessing to those whose lives are touched by ours." In that prayer from "The Vision Splendid,"

"God grant us wisdom in these coming days,
And eyes unsealed, that we clear visions see
Of that new world that He would have us build,
To life's ennoblement and His high ministry."

FRANCIS W. SHEPARDSON.

Two of Our French Brothers

New Hampshire Alpha has the distinct honor of having two French lieutenants for brothers. They are Lieutenants Auguste Fabiani and Lieutenant René Manson. Both men were sent over to America by the French Government to study in Ameri-



Lieutenant Auguste Fabiani

can colleges and universities. They came to Dartmouth last fall and were initiated December 8, 1918. There are about eighteen French students here in America, who are disabled for military service, and Lieutenant Fabiani is at the head of these men.

Brother Fabiani enlisted at the outbreak of the war, and he was in continual service until disqualified last fall for active duty. He entered the infantry and was transferred to the

cavalry, then to the artillery, and at last to the aviation. While in the war he was in all the big battles and has been on every part of the front. Lieutenant Fabiani was wounded and gassed several times. He has taken a very active part in the war, and has received the Croix de Guerre and other military honors. He is a graduate of the University of Paris, where he received



Lieutenant René Manson

his Master's degree. Before the outbreak of the war he was admitted to the bar, and already had started to practice.

Lieutenant Manson is a member of the Fifth Regiment of Infantry. He, too, fought in many of the biggest battles of the war. His left foot was practically shot off below the ankle, but, in spite of this, he is able to walk remarkably well. Brother Manson has also received the Croix de Guerre, and the Cross of the Legion of Honor. He received his Master's degree from the University of Paris, and is studying to be an engineer.

Both men are young. Lieutenant Fabiani is twenty-eight years old, while Lieutenant Manson is twenty-three. The men are of the highest calibre, and are worthy of the heart of Sigma Phi Epsilon, which they now wear. Unfortunately for us, however, the Government has sent them away from Dartmouth. Brother Fabiani has been sent to the School of Law at Chicago University, while Brother Manson has gone to the School of Engineering at the University of Cincinnati.

Letter from First Lieutenant John A. Randall, with the 302nd Ammunition Train, stationed at Cour l'Evêque, France, January 24, 1919, letter written to W. H. Eastman, giving a summary of events and itinerary to date, with the A. E. F.

The war as I saw it wasn't so tough. The infantry, combat engineers, civilians and prisoners falling into the hands of the Boche had it tough. There wasn't much sympathy for the latter in most cases, and there weren't very many cases either. The infantry had to lay around in the wet for days, and that is very unpleasant, to say the least. We had it wet while we worked and on the march between fronts and the line, but mostly we had tents which we could crawl into and get warm and dry. It is merely a matter of getting used to it, and after that it's just go ahead.

To sum up my stay, we landed at Brest on May 4th, having left the States on April 26th. After spending a couple of days at a rest camp, we proceeded by train to Camp de Longe, an artillery camp between Bordeaux and the Bay of Biscay. Here we went into training as part of the 152nd Field Artillery Brigade, the artillery regiments being 304, 305, and 306. The 1st of July we left for the Bascaret section in Alsace, where we remained about three weeks. This was our first taste of the front. The sector was very quiet and war consisted of an exchange of shells, with occasional trench raids and considerable bombing of back areas. The front here had been statuary for practically the whole war, from the first push of the Boches and counter attack of the French. Our camp was in a wood near a little town that was still partly inhabited, and from there we could look across and see the German trenches about a mile away. It was a very beautiful little camp and one which in an active sector would have been fatal. However, both sides

looked on it as a training area, and for some reason we weren't touched. If it had been in our next sector, it would have been dangerous to say the least. I might add that I was assigned at Camp de Longe to the Horsed Battalion of the train. We stay up with the artillery hauling ammunition to the batteries and cleaning up ammunition from old positions and hauling it to the new. This, with hauling some ammunition to the infantry combat trains, was our work. When a lot of firing goes on we are mighty busy, otherwise not so much. Our longest haul for one company was sixty-four hours in the Argonne, going steady without food or water for horses or men, except what they could catch by themselves.

From Bacarat we went partly over the road and partly by train to within thirty-eight miles of Paris, where we marched up over the road to go in at the end of the Chateau-Thierry push. We took over the Fourth Division's position on the Vesle River, between Bazouch and Fimes. It was here that I saw more war as far as shells go, and about everything else, too, than I saw in all the rest. We stayed here until the middle of September and advanced to the Aisne Canal. The whole country looked like a salt shaker, from shell holes, and the towns were all smashed to pieces. From here we marched south, crossed the Marne and headed east. After a nine-day hike we pulled up in the Argonne Forest, north of St. Nevehold, on September 24th. The next day I was sent to the advance dump with the details, and I remained advancing with the dump throughout the first push. Our division had the whole width of the forest, the region extends considerable to the east, but there is not any great amount of trees there. It was rather tough sailing, but we finally made Grand Pré and were relieved. For the next ten days we rested in German cabins and dugouts in the woods, and then went up behind St. Juvazé on the Aire River for the November 1st push. In this push I was with the battalion. We had lots of infantry stuff as well as artillery. It was one steady move all the time, and we were almost up with the front lines. We ended upon the Meuse River, just south of Sedan. It was just one big steam roller. From the 11th until the 19th we held a sector in the Meuse, after which we started south by easy stages and arrived here south of Chaumont December 4th.

Give my best regards to all the boys you see.

(Signed) JACK.

Initiations at Dartmouth College

(From The Dartmouth of March 10, 1919)

Statistics as to the relative sizes of the fraternity delegations for this year and last show that virtually the same percentage of freshmen are fraternity men. This year 55% are in fraternities as compared with 56% last year. The figures show, however, that the number of initiates this year is noticeably smaller than it was last year, due to the relative sizes of the classes.

Last year Beta Theta Pi led with 22 men, Phi Delta Theta had 20, and Delta Tau Delta 18. With the exception of Sigma Phi Epsilon with six initiates, no fraternity had less than 10 new men, the average being 15, as against 10 last year. Although Lambda Chi Alpha shows a total number of 27 taken in last year, this is owing to the fact that they obtained their charter in 1918, the 27 including charter members. This year's figures show that six fraternities have delegations numbering less than 10, while no fraternity has initiated more than 15 men.

The statistics follow:

	1919	1918
Psi Upsilon	15	14
Kappa Kappa Kappa	15	14
Delta Kappa Epsilon	14	10
Phi Delta Theta	13	20
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	13	14
Delta Tau Delta	12	18
Theta Delta Chi	11	11
Beta Theta Pi	11	22
Phi Kappa Psi	11	15
Kappa Sigma	11	10
Sigma Phi Epsilon	11	6
Lambda Chi Alpha	11	27
Phi Gamma Delta	10	13
Chi Phi	9	16
Phi Sigma Kappa	8	10
Sigma Nu	8	11
Alpha Delta Phi	7	16
Sigma Chi	7	14
Alpha Chi Rho	7	13
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A Message from the Surgeon-General to the Fraternity Men of America

The war proved two things, which I desire to bring in this conspicuous manner to your attention:

(1) The priceless value to the nation of its young manhood, especially its educated manhood.

(2) The ghastly and unsuspected toll taken from America's manhood by venereal disease.

Our army was the cleanest in the war, and its clean record had not a little to do with its morale and its fighting effectiveness. Yet General Gorgas stated that even if the commanding general could lay aside all question of morality, he would probably choose the eradication of venereal disease rather than the prevention of wounds.

The critical period which the nation now faces must depend even more upon the integrity of educated manhood, which American College Fraternities hold as their ideal and of which they furnish such conspicuous examples.

I naturally turn to you, therefore, at this time, in a definite appeal and request that every fraternity and every jurisdiction and member thereof, go on record, not only as insisting upon compliance with the fraternity's own highest standards of physical integrity, but as actively, though unobtrusively, exerting influence in support of the Federal campaign against the venereal diseases.

Respectfully,

RUPERT BLUE,

Surgeon-General.

Each Chapter is requested to have the above message read in Chapter meeting or posted in the Chapter rooms, and to take appropriate action.

The coupon below should be filled out and mailed to the Surgeon-General:

.....1919.	
United States Public Health Service, 228 First St., N. W., Washington, D. C.	
.....Chapter,Fraternity,	
has gone on record in support of the Government's Campaign against Venereal Diseases, and will use its influence to promote clean living in college life.	
The Chapter will distribute.....(say how many) pamphlets for men on the above subject, as soon as received.	
Name.....	Address.....
Please send samples to the following addresses:	
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Exchanges

Clifford B. Scott

The Keynote of Efficiency

The scholastic standing of a fraternity concerns itself with the attainments of every man in the active Chapter. Whether a man recognizes this responsibility or not, it rests upon him. From it there is no escape. It is the vast army of men who are content with less than the best that is within them who are responsible. When every active member of any fraternity conscientiously does his full duty in the quest for knowledge, the standard of scholarship is raised. Scholarship is the fundamental purpose of a college education. Knowledge is the keynote of efficiency. Efficiency is the measure of success.—The Delta of Sigma Nu.

It would, of course, be idle to say that the normal times have been restored and that the fraternity, like other institutions, should pick up again where it left off before the war. Even if this were true, it would indicate the necessity for holding the convention. But it is not true; and the necessity is even greater. The reconstruction period is here, and with the vast changes that are being effected in all kinds of institutions and plans and policies it is of the highest importance that Sigma Alpha Epsilon should bring its forces together—to review the immediate past, to take stock of the present, and to prepare to meet with thoroughness, with strength, and with clear counsel, the obligations of the future.

The convention will meet at a time when much is demanded.—The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The season of the year has again arrived in which the Alumni Associations may justify their existence. Many of them have failed to do so in the past. One isolated dinner with the bit of sporadic enthusiasm accompanying it can hardly be said to justify a chartered organization. But the secret of activity is not organization, after all, but personality. It is time for us to learn that in this country—lest we go the perilous path of the

late German Empire. Everywhere there must be THE MAN. In your community who is he? Are you sure that he is not YOU?—The Signet of Phi Sigma Kappa.

So let each Chapter of Sigma Nu take especial care this year to inculcate, more thoroughly than ever before, the true Principles of our Order. Let each novice be carefully drilled in a genuine understanding of the imperishable words of Past Regent Sears, author of the Creed of Sigma Nu. If the novice grasps the tremendous import of this message, no fear need be expressed that he will ever lose sight of that wonderful vision which gave birth in the heart of a great emperor to the enduring Principle upon which our Fraternity was later to be founded. Master of this inspiring Creed, a Knight can be trusted to obey the Ancient Customs, the Law, and the proper commands of his fraternal superiors; he can be relied upon to "carry on" for the freedom of all mankind—to be a better man, a better soldier, a better American, as well as a better Sigma Nu.

Keep up the system of careful examination of candidates and thereby protect our fraternity from encumbering itself with men who, in a testing time, would prove disloyal and threaten the foundations of the Chapter. Choose your men with greater judgment than ever before. Now, if ever, we need quality instead of quantity. Pursue the same policy of making your initiation ceremonies true courses of instruction—revelations of the deeper significance of our Order—not occasions of levity. Teach each man the meaning of the Fifth Point; make him realize that the aim of Sigma Nu is to serve all mankind.—The Delta of Sigma Nu.

There is much to do here at home if that vision of world democracy is to be complete, and where is there a better place to start than on the college campus? Every line of class distinction has been torn down in the army, and if we are to live up to the new standards set by the boys, we must do the same thing in our college life. The fraternity must lead the way because its members have been considered the most undemocratic. As Kappa's vision for this year let us set this task before us. First of all we must live up more fully than ever before to Kappa vows and standards. In other words, we must make Kappa 100%. To do this we must be self-sacrificing. In order to put ourselves forth as leaders we must set aside all selfish aims, must work to gain the confidence and trust of all girls in the

university. It is absolutely necessary that we form an alliance with all and work together. Snobbishness has no place in the army, and it must have no place in civil life, especially on the college campus. A true Kappa would not stoop so low, but there are those who do not realize its evil. Therefore, this year let us prove that we are worthy of existence by increase of efficiency in speaking, acting, and serving together.—The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

There should be few rules in the management of Chapter life, but those few should be living law; without exception they should be rigidly observed. There should be no dallying with delinquent due-payers. Our Chapters cannot afford to become credit bureaus; they haven't the reserves to swing it, and they would be particularly liable to abuse. It should be definitely understood, and strictly enforced that it may be so understood, that the man who falls behind in his financial obligations shall immediately and wholly forfeit the privileges of that department wherein he is delinquent. Any lapse of good conduct should be summarily dealt with in the same way. It is neither kindness nor wisdom to tolerate in the individual what we have deemed indefensible for the group. This is the day of discipline. Our soldiers are accustomed to it, and in most instances genuinely respect it. Let us not fail to grasp the opportunity of tightening up our Chapter conduct.

We are living in the greatest epoch since the beginning of the Christian era. The conference now meeting at Versailles has in it possibilities so great as to appall. Adventure has never allured in such varied manifestations as now. It is a world deeply stirred by human suffering and human hope. It is fairly pulsing with the potentialities of this grave and buoyant day. It has been granted to us to be alive, and best of all to be young, in this fateful period. And to each and every one of us is an opportunity to do his bit—how much that has come to mean—for human freedom, for human progress. Do not think for one moment that your college fraternity is inconsequential in this critical time. It may become an agency for retardation with eyes toward the past; it may become a dead, meaningless order, with eyes perchance quite closed; but it may, with eyes toward the future, become one of the leaders in the new movement. What your fraternity shall become is largely what you desire. There is work ahead, and it's truly up to you.—The Signal of Phi Sigma Kappa.

As children of the hurrying moment our eyes have too often been fixed on the huge, the ostentatious, the impermanent. In too many instances we have entirely lost sight of the things which count.

The great scientific advance, the invention of marvelous and epoch-making mechanical devices, such as the telegraph, the telephone, and the airplane, completely fills the eyes of the world. We mortals never for an instant pause to consider what would become of our vaunted progress and civilization if, for only one spring, the millions of green shoots of grain and leaves of grass failed to break through the soil. We are so continually occupied with the transient that we become blind to the great underlying swing of things. The unceasing urge toward finer expression we deem unimportant. Why? Because it is simple and sure. It is one of the things which count.

The college families are more and more seeking in the men they pledge the inner quality of personal life. They are looking for a simple, human kindliness which, underneath and over all external trappings, is working for the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. The fraternity which is wise is not seeking specialized ability unless it can have with it an essential manliness.

The war has brought home to us the high value of inwardness as an index to character. We see clearly that any real living is contingent upon serious service and feel, with the great Roman emperor, that "life is more like wrestling than dancing." It is necessary that underneath appearances we must search for character, kindliness and self-control, which are the things that count.—Sigma Chi Quarterly.

Editorials

Frank G. Louthan

Special attention is directed to the very strong appeal of Surgeon-General Rupert Blue, published in this edition, urging definite action by fraternity men of the United States against venereal diseases.

The records of the War Department have disclosed a deplorable situation which confronts our nation as it returns to its civil life. Venereal diseases claimed more fighting hours of soldiers than any other factor during the period of the war, and thus deprived the army of that much efficiency. (If Adam had lived until today, he would still have four hundred years to live in order to equal the time lost by the men of the army and navy during the recent war on account of venereal diseases.) The facts also disclosed that five-sixths of the cases were contracted in civil life.

This revelation has made the Government determined to fight the disease among the civilian population to the same degree that it was fought in the army and navy, because it was there shown that measures and treatment properly administered, had a powerful result in diminishing the diseases.

The co-operation of the fraternity men of America with the efforts of the Government, as represented by our Surgeon-General, is but one plank in the standards and principles of the College Fraternity platform, perhaps the most prominent plank.

Chapter Letters

VIRGINIA ALPHA

RICHMOND COLLEGE

J. T. Onley

On our return after Xmas we found on the campus R. N. Stephens and N. M. Bolton, both members from last year, they having received their discharges from Uncle Sam's service, and coming back to assist Old Virginia Alpha in her time of need. The former spent the fall at Camp Zachary Taylor, after obtaining his commission at Plattsburg. The latter has been with the forces at Camp Lee in the O. T. S., and feeling the call of Virginia Alpha, secured his white sheet and came to our aid.

We regret to say that in the opening of the second semester we lost five men, but the return of the old members compensates somewhat for the loss.

We wish here to commend the work of G. J. Parrish, '22, who is obtaining high honors scholastically. N. M. Bolton seems to have returned with eyes on the goal, and is doing fine work also. He is also looking forward to a letter in baseball in the coming season.

Since our last letter we have initiated another member and have several fine prospects. We take pleasure in introducing:

Initiated March 3, 1919:

Urbane Howard Mills, '22, Pre. Med., Richmond, Va.

Brother Mills is proving himself worthy of the honor that was conferred upon him, and is looking eagerly forward to the opening of baseball season.

We have recently received visits from several of the Alumni, including "Billy" Phillips and F. G. Louthan, Alumni of Virginia Alpha, and R. C. Berry, an Alumnus of Virginia Eta. We are glad to state that C. M. Hull of last year attends nearly all of our Chapter meetings and is of much aid to us, even while in the business world.

In closing, Virginia Alpha extends her best wishes to all sister Chapters.

WEST VA. BETA**WEST VA. UNIVERSITY****G. M. Daugherty**

Once again West Virginia Beta is coming into very bright prospects, after one of the most trying periods of its history. The great war called a great number of our men to defend the colors and all responded with a true Sigma Phi Epsilon spirit. Our house was taken over by the Government to quarter the S. A. T. C. in. Regardless of the many inconveniences we still exist and have fine prospects for this semester. We have held one initiatory session and take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated February 21, 1919:

John William Gundling, '22, B. S., Ch. E., Wheeling, W. Va.

Francis H. Bickel, '22, B. S. M. E., Parkersburg, W. Va.

Charles C. Butler, '22, B. S. E. E., Hedgesville, W. Va.

James D. Butler, '22, B. S. Ch. E., Hedgesville, W. Va.

Lewis P. Helmbright, '21, B. S. Ch. E., Wheeling, W. Va.

Samuel L. Emsweller, '21, B. S. Agr., Morgantown, W. Va.

We are somewhat handicapped at present on account of not having a house, the Government having taken over our old one, but we hope to be located in a very short time. For the time being we have a suite of rooms in which to hold our regular meetings, and where the boys may meet and spend to an advantage any spare time they may have.

West Virginia University is starting again her many student activities, after a semester of almost nothing along this line. Many social events have occurred and more are on the schedule. In the Inter-Fraternity basket-ball contest old $\Sigma \Phi E$ has defeated all her opponents, and only the final game remains to be played. Here's hoping we "wallop" the K. A.'s and carry off the cup.

In closing we extend greetings to all our sister Chapters and wish them every success.

ILLINOIS ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS****Charles H. Bartlett**

Illinois Alpha has come back strong, now that the S. A. T. C. and other disturbing elements are gone from our life at the University. We are back in the house which we planned to enter last fall, but which we were unable to take over on account of the Government's ruling.

Little by little the old men are coming back and making it seem like the good old days.

R. T. Anderson has returned from Camp Taylor full of stories of the "way they do things in the artillery."

Bruce Lundberg has been back, too, since the beginning of the quarter. Brother Lundberg was in the Ambulance Corps. Heinie Lundberg has just got back from France, where he has been doing his share with the aviation.

At the beginning of this quarter, while we were still getting fixed up in the house, E. E. Johnson, of Kansas Alpha, dropped around to see the bunch and tell us that he had decided to come to Illinois this year. "Johnnie" was not eligible for athletics here this year, as it is his first year, but he distinguished himself on the house basket ball team, and is getting right in line for next year.

H. H. Springstun, of Michigan Alpha, has also decided to come to Illinois and try his luck in the Law School. "Judge" was down here for awhile last year—we suspect that he liked the old school so much he had to come down here.

As soon as the University took off the lid, we made arrangements to swing a big dance out at the Champaign Country Club on the fifteenth of March. Everyone is preparing to make the most of this first chance, and it looks like a good time for all.

A. H. Gottschalk and R. T. Anderson attended the Conference for the district over at Purdue, and came back quite enthusiastic over a number of new ideas which seemed particularly good. We have not had much chance to try these out, but they sound mighty good and look like they could get results.

On Sunday, the 16th, the whole Chapter went down to Weber's and had a picture taken for the Illio. This has become

quite an annual event, and "the way I looked" is the principal topic of discussion for a week or more.

F. J. Dick was fortunate enough to get a furlough, the last two days of which he spent with the gang down here. Brother Dick is in the ordnance at Camp Raritan, N. J. Ensign R. A. Fash was also able to come over from Springfield and spend the week's end with us. It seemed good to see "Bob" back again, after an absence of almost a year.

T. E. Lowery came over while this army and navy was gathered together and we held a small reunion.

In closing, Illinois Alpha extends best wishes to all sister Chapters.

COLORADO ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Colorado Alpha is now returning to the pre-war basis. Our financial outlook is much better and our house begins once more to assume the homey look which it had before the war. Perhaps the thing which gladdens us most is the return of a few of the brothers who were called from their collegiate activities by war. Dyer Thomas has been released from the Marines, where he had obtained a second lieutenancy. "Bill" Adams has doffed his second lieutenant's uniform and donned "cits"; so also has Brother "Vic" Adams. All three men are more than welcome back, for they are good and loyal Sigma Phi "Eps."

Now to chronicle the doings of the Chapter individually. C. W. Fulghum is out for wrestling. Brother Fulghum promises to be the champion of the Rocky Mountain middle weights. C. M. Schrepferman and J. S. Brown are holding down regular guard positions on the 'Varsity Basketball team. Brother Schrepferman also is president of the Sophomore Class. V. G. Seavy is in the debating squad and will carry the University colors against other universities. A. J. Allen and V. H. Williams are on the basket ball squad. M. J. Colins and C. M. Schrepferman have been made members of the Alpha Chi Sigma Chemical Fraternity.

Collectively, the Fraternity has been getting back to a more social outlook. We gave a dance a few weeks ago. The brothers all say they had a good time. The young ladies who blessed us with their company said they had a "very enjoyable evening."

From these statements we deduce that the dance was a success. Plans are now underfoot whereby we give a carnival dance, which will redound to our glory and break us financially. However, we will have all summer to recoup from the dance fees.

The last paragraph of this letter should be devoted to a history of the thing which gives us a community of interests. Which, moreover, in after years stands out most prominently in our college life. I refer to initiation time. Several of our Alumni were on hand to assist. The strugglers for light were, as we expected, the stars of the evening. Eventually they performed their tasks and did them well. They will carry the memory of their entry into $\Sigma \Phi \Xi$ in their minds forever, and on their bodies for but a space of time, we hope. We beg to introduce:

Initiated February 9, 1919:

Louis Raymond Poland, Eng., '22, Denver, Col.
Verne Homer Williams, Eng., '22, Golden, Col.
Harold Elbridge Muth, Arts, '22, Denver, Col.
Robert Carl Nelson, Eng., '22, Leadville, Col.
Melvin James Collins, Arts, '19, Creede, Col.
Alexander John Allen, Eng., '22, Greenwood Springs, Col.
Clarence Frederick Walbridge, Arts, '22, Durango, Col.
Charles Roland Burger, Jr., Eng., '22, Boulder, Col.
Kenneth Guy Crisselle, Eng., '20, Leadville, Col.

Initiated March 10, 1919:

Jose Eliseo Martizez, Pre. Law, '21, Trinidad, Col.

After the initiation a young roast pig was set before Toastmaster Knauss to carve. We fed well and long. After the meal came the speeches. F. J. Knauss, E. O. Stoddard, W. E. Fisher, and R. J. McDonald had something to say for the Denver Alumni. W. McK. Greig responded for the actives.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA**UNIV. OF PENN.****Ernest L. Noon**

Apparently the new year is on friendly terms with Pennsylvania Delta, especially in elections. In the Senior Class E. W. Hartung was elected Secretary and E. L. Noon Historian. The Junior Class elected P. R. Kirchner for Vice-President, while G. F. Scanlon was placed on the Executive Committee. Walt Miller continues to be our steady Chapter representative on the various committees of the Sophomore Class. Aside from class offices, G. F. Scanlon was elected the Junior Class representative on Wharton School Honor Committee. E. L. Noon was elected President of the Philomathean Society. G. E. Wagner was elected to the Hexagon Senior Society. W. H. Miller, E. R. Lipowitz and H. G. Kriener were initiated into the Scalp and Blade. Jimmy Hening was initiated into the Phi Chi Medical Fraternity. P. R. Kirchner, J. M. Cook, C. J. Hammer, B. M. Johnson and E. H. Chapin were elected to the Sigma Tau Engineering Fraternity.

Walt Miller and Hap Houley are making rapid headway towards positions on the "Red and Blue." When these men make the board we will have seven representatives on that publication. Brother Houley is also an editorial candidate for the Class Record. H. G. Kriener is out for the business board.

We continue to be prominent in the swimming meets. C. E. Maris has sprung into favor as a fancy diver and short distance man, and Pledge Sullivan's one of the best performers on the Freshman team. W. M. Russell is playing on the Soccer team and is giving a good account of himself in baseball and lacrosse. J. M. Cook is also out for baseball.

This is open season for managerships. W. H. Miller is waiting to hear the results of the Soccer competition. H. G. Waldorf is out for swimming, J. A. Hughes for baseball, M. G. Christ for basketball, and O. S. Thompson for track.

"Bud" Wieser and "Hap" Houley represent us on the Glee Club, as usual, and are also taking an active part in the "Mask and Wig" production.

Our rushing season was unusually successful, and we wish to introduce the following:

Initiated March 30, 1919:

Julius Monroe Hodges, '22, Olean, N. Y.
Charles William Foppart, '22, Hazelton, Pa.
Paul Andrew Sullivan, '22, Woodbridge, N. J.
Henry Edward McKinley Ford, '22, Wilmington, Del.
Charles Frederick Felton, '22, Paterson, N. J.
Otto George Giger, '22, Titusville, Pa.

All the honors mentioned are the developments of the new year, and we are looking forward to a most prosperous session. The spirit of co-operation manifested by the brothers has accomplished wonders.

Almost every day brings some one of the brothers back from his place in the army. Bill Shanneman and Loyal Graham were indispensable during rushing season, Bill at the piano and Loyal with his string of marine war songs.

We close this letter with best wishes to every Chapter and a cordial invitation to the brothers to stop in and see us when in Philadelphia.

VIRGINIA DELTA

COLLEGE OF WM. AND MARY

A. P. Elliott

Now that springtime seems to be here, everything is moving nicely at William and Mary, and of course Virginia Delta is right in the thickest of the moving. Our Chapter is now composed of eleven men, and all are deeply interested in the work of $\Sigma \Phi E$. Many of these men are new, for so few old men are back in college on account of well known reasons, still they are showing up well and promise to make strong men and a splendid nucleus around which can be built a strong Chapter next year. We are pleased to introduce the following:

Initiated February 8, 1919:

Herbert Lee Bridges, '21, B. S., Williamsburg, Va.

Baseball fever is beginning to spread among the Indians now, and we hope to have several men playing on the 'Varsity team when the season opens. R. J. Parrish and V. J. Love, letter men of last year, are back and will be likely to land their positions without much difficulty.

Our regular meetings have been very interesting recently, and much pleasure is derived from them. We have splendid rooms and they are a great asset to our Chapter.

We have fully recovered from the evil effects of the S. A. T. C. and wish the same for all Chapters.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA N. C. STATE COLLEGE

W. A. Leslie, Jr.

North Carolina Beta extends her best wishes to all sister Chapters.

At the beginning of the spring term we had two brothers back in college, J. H. Moss, who had been here during the fall term, and S. D. Lovelace, who returned after Christmas. Brothers Moss and Lovelace succeeded in getting two exceptionally good new men. North Carolina Beta and North Carolina Gamma held a joint initiation in Durham on February 15, 1919. After the initiation we had a banquet at the Malbourne Hotel. We wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large the following:

Initiated February 15, 1919:

Bartholamew Moore Catlin, '21, Raleigh, N. C.

William Augustus Leslie, Jr., Morganton, N. C.

We have been lucky in having several visits from Alumni brothers during the past month. J. A. Northcott, J. W. Cooper and A. B. Waddell were here on short visits at different times. We also had visits from J. W. Sauls, M. K. Fuller and C. E. Pitts, of the North Carolina Gamma Chapter. It looks as though this year is going to be a prosperous one for our Chapter. We have several new men in view and hope to recruit our Chapter up to full strength in a short time.

In closing we wish our sister Chapters the most prosperous kind of a year in college and university life.

OHIO ALPHA**OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY****Winsor O. Clark**

We are looking forward to the new term with eager eyes, as a number of old brothers are expected to return to "Old Northern," having just returned from overseas service. Also we have just finished a most successful term for Sigma Phi Epsilon and ourselves. We wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 19, 1919:

William Virgil Verbryke, Pharmacy, '20, Lima, O.

Carl Albret Randall, Law, '21, Union City, Pa.

Merle Marion Agin, A. B., '21, Rawson, O.

Initiated February 16, 1919:

Emmett Hilton Baker, Pharmacy, '20, Uhrichville, O.

Waldo Savon Milliman, Pharmacy, '20, Edon, O.

Robert Ambrose Osborne, C. E., '21, Van Wert, O.

Charles Durrett Farrow, Pharmacy, '20, Ashtabula, O.

We consider ourselves very lucky to get these men, as they are all fine material for $\Sigma \Phi E$, and we believe they will make a fine record for themselves here at "Northern."

On February 24, 1919, we had the pleasure of initiating Captain Benjamin Alvin Ball as an honorary member. Brother Ball has an LL. B. and LL. M. degree from the University of Pennsylvania and Washington College of Law. He was the commandant of the S. A. T. C. unit here and has been made commander of the R. C. T. C. unit.

We regret the fact that Tommy Clark will not be with us next term. Brother Clark has received his sheepskin and gone forth to battle the cruel world. He was one of our live wires and we will feel lost without having him around to make things lively.

In the basketball season just finished, Wm. Trostle and Pledge Ackerman succeeded in making the team and will be awarded their "N" in the near future.

Ohio Alpha gave a delightful dinner party for the Alumni brothers, and pledges all reported as having had a fine time, and we succeeded in outdoing any former parties.

Our delegates to the Fifth District Conference—H. E. Parkins and F. M. Hettish—reported a fine time; that they received many helpful suggestions, and have expressed admiration for Indiana Alpha's fine home and the excellent treatment they received there.

In closing, we wish all sister Chapters success in the next term and extend an invitation to all schools who meet "Northern" in baseball to send some Sigs with the team and we will try to show them a royal time.

INDIANA ALPHA

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

H. K. Wood

March first marked the conclusion of what we consider the most disrupted semester our Chapter has ever witnessed. Since our last letter, the S. A. T. C. unit at Purdue University has been demobilized and $\Sigma \Phi E$ is trying to regain its feet.

We have been assisted greatly in what might be termed a reconstruction period by several of the old brothers, who have returned. They are L. V. R. Louderback, first lieutenant F. A., discharged from Camp Jackson; R. M. Graeter, second lieutenant F. A., discharged from Camp Taylor; E. J. Kendall, second lieutenant infantry, discharged from Camp Grant; L. K. Wyckoff, discharged from Camp Polk; F. I. Goldsmith, discharged from Camp Taylor; and J. M. Kirkpatrick, who is returning after an illness of almost a year. This makes a total of thirty-six men now living in the Chapter house.

On February 8th Indiana Alpha was honored to be the host of two representatives from each of the Chapters of the Fifth District at a District Conference. W. L. Phillips, Grand Secretary, on his return from the West, and W. H. Eastman, District Deputy, attended the conference.

We are glad to announce that the Grand Chapter has finally consented to have the next conclave within the limits of the Fifth District, and are more than pleased with the fact that Indiana Alpha is to be honored by having it at Indianapolis. The

Indianapolis Alumni Association assured its hearty co-operation in every respect at a meeting held on February 11th, at which Brother W. L. Phillips was present.

The Purdue "Sig. Eps" are again actively engaged in university life. E. E. Plummer, '21, and R. B. Freeman, '21, were appointed assistant night editors on the "Exponent"; L. K. Wyckoff, M. Q. Dannettell and R. A. Schakel are members of the various Literary Societies about the campus; G. G. Slater, '22, has shown his ability to handle a basketball as well as a football by making the Freshman team; and L. K. Wyckoff was kept from distinguishing himself in wrestling, due alone to the fact that no intercollegiate meets have been scheduled.

Since the removal of the S. A. T. C. the old form of military drill at Purdue University has been abandoned. We are now organizing a unit of motorized field artillery, under the supervision of Lieutenant-Colonel Kirkwood, and assisted by three majors, four captains and six lieutenants. Surely, with such a goodly number of officers, the new unit should be a success.

Since our return after the Christmas holidays, we have held two informal dances at the Chapter house, the first being on January 18th. The annual mid-semester dance was held on March 1st, and was attended by several visiting Alumni.

Along with our other activities, we take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity:

Initiated January 27, 1919:

William Amos Butner, E. E., '22, Windfall, Ind.

This makes every man in the house an initiated brother.

In conclusion, Indiana Alpha extends a cordial invitation to visiting brothers and sends her best wishes to her sister Chapters.

NEW YORK ALPHA**SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY****S. H. Merriam**

The opening of the second semester has shown a more normal condition of affairs here in the University. With the return of men discharged from the service, a large majority of the Fraternities have started up as usual. Because of the small number of our own men here in college, and because of the fact that our house is rented for the year, New York Alpha is not as active as usual. This, however, does not for an instant mean that we are not doing anything. We have not been able to carry on a rushing campaign, but in spite of handicaps, have secured four very good men.

Initiated March 9, 1919:

Ress E. Hoople, '22, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Henry A. Martin, '22, Canandaigua, N. Y.

George G. Felt, '22, Monsey, N. Y.

Richard H. Gallagher, '22, Berkshire, N. Y.

We feel sure that these men will ably uphold the honor of $\Sigma \Phi E$. As far as college activities are concerned, we are there with the old-time pep. Joseph Condermann has been recently discharged from the service and taken up his duties as assistant manager of basketball. H. Hoople and J. B. Clearwater are out for 'Varsity crew, and all indications point to Brother Hoople as stroke of the boat. R. Hoople and H. A. Martin are striving for positions in the Freshman boat, with good prospects of success. S. H. Merriam is out for first base on the baseball team, and W. B. Thompson is out for assistant manager of the same organization. We are also branching out into the dramatic field. On March 17th Boar's Head put on as their annual show, "Under Contract," a play written by a Syracuse Alumnus, and C. W. Nott carried one of the leading roles in a clever manner.

We have been enjoying occasional visits from men in the service. Lieutenants L. P. Kent and A. B. Brown, recently returned from service overseas, have each dropped in for a brief

visit. Ensign G. T. Oakley, of the naval aviation; Ensign Joe Guard and Naval Electrician L. B. Sopher have also been with us within the past few weeks.

A short while ago New York Alpha was represented at the District Conference at Albany by H. W. Lester and R. E. Hoople. The meeting was called by District Deputy Otto Reumann, but due to the short notice New York Beta and New Hampshire Alpha were unable to attend. Brother W. L. Phillips, Grand Secretary, was there and gave us many good ideas, and we felt well repaid for our efforts to be present. At this time New York Alpha wishes to let the other Chapters know that it strongly endorses the idea and purpose of these conferences.

As things here on the hill gradually assume usual proportions, we are becoming more and more energetic in our plans for next year. We have started a campaign for two thousand dollars to be raised among the Alumni, all of which is to be used in needed repairs and improvements on the Chapter house. We have already had considerable success and do not intend to rest a moment until the ultimate goal is reached.

It is with a feeling of pride that we realize that the most trying year of our existence is coming to a successful close, and it is with anticipation we look forward to next year as the best and most profitable of any that we have yet experienced. We heartily trust that all Chapters have the same spirit for the future, and wish them all possible success in everything they undertake.

VIRGINIA EPSILON WASHINGTON AND LEE UNI.

Thomas M. Stubbs

Eight men returned after the holidays, who were here before Christmas, along with P. A. Calloway and T. M. Stubbs, who were here last year and year before. Since the holidays we have

initiated four new men. These men Virginia Epsilon wishes to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 11, 1919:

George Gerald Stone, A. B., '21, Marion, Va.
William Taylor Spencer, Jr., A. B., '21, Lynchburg, Va.
Walter Keeble Smith, Jr., B. S., '22, Clifton Forge, Va.
Love Bonham Rouse, A. B., '22, Marion, Va.

Virginia Epsilon is looking forward to a big Alumni reunion to be held during the week of Finals in July.

Best wishes are extended to all sister Chapters.

VIRGINIA ZETA

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE

L. W. Diggs

Virginia Zeta returned after the Christmas holidays with fourteen loyal wearers of the heart. Three of these men, J. W. Copley, E. H. Brown and J. H. Harper, had recently been discharged from the service, and we are glad indeed to have them once more with us. C. D. Hurtt, G. T. Mapp, T. M. Tankard and J. H. Byrd, all of whom were initiated in September, were unable to return. These promising goats will be greatly missed.

The Chapter has recently moved back to the old home on Railroad Avenue. During the fall the Red Cross used the house as headquarters, but as they had no use for it after the war activities quieted down, we gladly occupied it at the first opportunity.

G. V. Wray and M. F. Parker, Jr., recently favored us with a visit. L. L. Sawyer, who is at present attending the Medical College in Richmond; R. E. Blankenship and A. Bland were present at the last goating. The interest shown by these visiting "Sig Eps" is very gratifying to the Chapter. The Chapter house is always open to welcome any brothers who may desire to drop in.

We wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 25, 1919:

William Henry Connelly, A. B., '19, Lawrenceville, Va.

In all branches of college activities Virginia Zeta is well represented. To enumerate the various honors held by the different brothers would be impossible in the brief space of a Chapter letter. With fifteen hard-working men we hope to accomplish still bigger things for our beloved Fraternity before the year is over.

GEORGIA ALPHA GA. SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY
W. L. Markert

Georgia Alpha is going strong in the period of our mid-winter examinations, which have just been completed. We will not lose any men because of failure in scholastic duties. "Tech" is the old school of ante-bellum days, and more, and it is good to see activities of various kinds play a big part in college life. The fact that Georgia Alpha has so few upper classmen back has hampered her progress slightly, but the Freshmen are waking up and everybody is pulling together for the good of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

We have a live wire for Georgia Alpha in F. R. Yorke, on the "Blue Print" staff. This is the college annual, and it is quite a distinction to be numbered on its staff. The Technique, which is the Tech newspaper, has on its business staff W. N. Murrah, E. P. Murrah and J. M. Tyler, and on its editorial staff, F. R. Yorke. As members of the board we have J. W. Mason, "Rube" Fielden, C. B. Beardson and T. W. Smith. F. R. Yorke is also president of the Sophomore class.

With the baseball season almost here, we have a very bright prospect with C. F. Turner, captain; F. L. Ashburg, pitcher, and W. C. Fielden, sure of a berth as catcher. We also have a pledge who will make good, and E. P. Murrah has been appointed score-keeper, while W. N. Murrah is sure of a place on the team. Georgia Tech has a host of the old men back and has wonderful prospects for an exceptional baseball season.

In conjunction with most Technical schools of the country, Tech has organized an R. O. T. C. unit and Georgia Alpha has several commissioned officers and non-coms to her credit.

The Pan-Hellenic Council has been reorganized and our representatives this year are J. W. Mason and C. F. Turner. Georgia

Alpha is well represented in the various clubs with the following members: "Koseme" (Junior Society), J. W. Mason and C. F. Turner; "Skull and Key" (Soph. Society), F. R. Yorke and F. L. Asbury; "Bull Dogs" (Social Society), C. F. Turner; "Cotillion Club," G. W. Hall, president, and C. F. Turner.

Tech has accepted the challenge of the University of Florida for a Bible Class attendance record, and classes have been organized at all Chapter houses and dormitories. Needless to say, Georgia Alpha is holding up her part well and will continue to do so.

Our Alumni who have honored us with visits are E. P. Burnes, recently returned from France; H. H. Harris, just discharged from aviation; J. T. Roberts, of the coast artillery, and J. S. Asbury, of the navy.

Georgia Alpha wishes to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 17, 1918:

Frederick Benedict Gessner, E. C., '20, New Orleans, La.
Frank Burkett Coleman, Com., '22, Atlanta, Ga.
Alsa Paul Brown, Jr., E. C. '22, Atlanta, Ga.

Initiated February 21, 1919:

Frank Marshall Akers, Jr., Com., '22, Atlanta, Ga.
Lamar Jackson Cooper, Textile, '20, Commerce, Ga.

In closing, we wish all sister Chapters the best of luck and extend a hearty invitation to visiting brothers to drop in at 14 West North Avenue.

DELAWARE ALPHA DELAWARE STATE COLLEGE

R. P. Kite

The first half of this college year is about over, with Delaware Alpha maintaining a prominent part in all college activities. As yet mid-year marks have not been given out; however, this Chapter expects to measure up to its usual high standard. Two of our men, W. S. Moore and Jay Robinson, have made the

honorary scholarship fraternity (Φ K Φ). The latter is just recovering from a serious illness and expects to be back again in the next few weeks.

The annual dance given by this Chapter was held in Old College Hall on February 28, 1919. The whole building was decorated with laurel and wistaria, which harmonizes perfectly with the white background. Music, refreshments, and in fact the dance as a whole, was the best given at Delaware in recent years.

The championship Delaware basketball team has just closed its season, with Delaware Alpha contributing Bayard Carter, H. McCaughan, Gray Carter and J. G. Pierson. All of these men will be back next year to represent Σ Φ E on the 'Varsity. Brother Louis Plam was captain of the Senior basketball team of the Interclass League, while a number of our men played good games on all four class teams. Baseball, Track and Tennis have all just issued the first call for candidates. In baseball we have Bayard Carter, J. G. Pierson, A. F. Spaid, W. R. Ritz, Gray Carter and R. Stewart. R. P. Hite and J. H. Harper are our representatives on the track squad, while at the net game we have J. W. Humphrey (manager) and J. A. Horthy.

In closing, Delaware Alpha wishes each sister Chapter success for the present year.

VIRGINIA ETA

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

J. Martin, II

With Sigma Phi Epsilon foremost in our hearts, we have been able to get Virginia Eta back into "peace-time" shape. During the S. A. T. C. we were very much handicapped, as were all other Chapters in Virginia. We now have our old house back, and although there are only six out of the fifteen members of the Chapter rooming in the house, we are getting along very well. The brothers that returned after Christmas are P. M. Lewis, "Eddie" Ottenheimer, Louis F. Hickey, "June" Martin, "Charley" Brown, "Dick" Tilson, Walton C. Webb, "Ed" DeFord, "Chic" Carter, Tom Phillips, "Billy" Northington, "Jake" Smith and "Slim" Martin. The brothers rooming in the house are "Tom" Phillips, "Charley" Brown, "Chic" Carter,

"June" Martin, "Ed" DeFord and "Bill" Collins, who was initiated after Christmas.

Since the holidays we have secured the following men:

Initiated February 1, 1919:

William Augustus Collins, '22, Eng., Spartanburg, S. C.

Initiated February 9, 1919:

Bartow Hughes Bridges, Arts, Norfolk, Va.

Lewis Cass Leigh, '25, Arts, Mech., Vienna, Va.

Initiated March 9, 1919:

Robert Gordon Hunt, '23, Eng., Gordonsville, Va.

"Slim" Martin is the only man in the Chapter who has returned to us after being discharged from the regular army. We expect to have a bunch of the old men back next year who have been working for Uncle Sam.

Our house is on Chancellor Street, and is the last house on the left-hand side. Some one is always at the house, and we extend a most cordial invitation to visiting brothers to come around and "look us over." Our meeting hour is at 2:30 Sunday afternoon.

We sincerely hope that all sister Chapters are having a good year, and we extend our best wishes to them.

ARKANSAS ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Hugh N. Leiper

During the last quarter the conditions at Arkansas Alpha seem to be improving; however, most of our brothers are still in the army, either in this country or over seas. It now seems improbable that any of them will return for the remainder of the term.

Clyde Vinson, second lieutenant, and bombing military aviator, has returned to college. He was commissioned in the early part of the war and was four days out on his way overseas,

when the armistice was signed. Brother Vinson received both his primary and advanced training at Ellington Field, Houston, Texas.

The Chapter had a most pleasant visit from Brother V. E. Bird, Arkansas Alpha, a graduate C. E. of '08. Brother Bird is residing in Fayetteville, having charge of paving the town.

Because of abnormal conditions still existing we have decided not to open up a Chapter house until the beginning of the spring quarter, about March 20th.

Although fewer in numbers than in former years, Arkansas Alpha is strong in spirit.

Arkansas Alpha wishes prosperity and success to all her sister Chapters in the period of reconstruction through which we are now passing.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

James H. Goodwin

The Pennsylvania Epsilon Chapter is starting in a second college term with great activity.

The track season has started and C. G. Gilman has the management of the team. In baseball W. P. Johnson will have his old job as pitcher, and R. L. Wilson is out for assistant manager of that sport. M. A. Manley is making a good record for himself on the wrestling team.

The Mustard and Cheese Club has just had tryouts for its next show, and M. A. Manley and R. L. Wilson have made the Club.

In recent elections R. L. Wilson, J. H. Alden, T. C. Henneberger, C. E. Young, E. M. Loeser and J. H. Goodwin made the Sophomore Cotillion Club, while R. L. Wilson and W. H. Alexander received bids to the Scimitar Club.

In closing Pennsylvania Epsilon extends best wishes to our sister Chapters for a successful month.

OHIO GAMMA**OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY****Wilbur L. Grandle**

The opening of the second semester finds Ohio Gamma in a prosperous condition. At present we have thirty-six active men and three pledges. This large membership places us near the head of the list among fraternities here. We are proud of our strides and our bright prospects at the beginning of these times of reconstruction. Since our last letter we have initiated the following men:

Initiated December 15, 1918:

Emerson Ralph Simon, Commerce and Journalism, '20, Iron-ton, O.

Marion Arnold Hunter, Pre-Medic Arts, '22, Galena, O.

Woodward Edward Romig, Engineering, '22, Morgan, Tex.

George Ralph Snyder, Engineering, '22, Bellaire, O.

Walter Samuel McLain, Pre-Medic Arts, '22, Wauseon, O.

Paul Joseph Flory, Engineering, '22, Camden, O.

Initiated February 16, 1919:

Lloyd Mowery Weaver, Agriculture, '21, Circleville, O.

On February 14th we gave an informal dance in honor of our Sigma, J. W. Flaig. We are planning another for March 15th, and are making preparations for a formal to be held April 4th. We have set May 5th as the date for our annual alumni banquet. We are expecting great things at this feast.

To mar the joy of our successes came the news of the death of Brother Ernest L. Davis on February 16th. Brother Davis was one of our local founders and our most active alumnus. Through his death we have lost a true brother and a valuable friend.

J. W. McFall, F. L. Minshall, W. M. Reese, H. M. Caulke, C. E. Rader and W. L. Darnell, all just out of service, have paid us several visits within the last few weeks.

We extend our best wishes to all our sister Chapters.

VERMONT ALPHA**NORWICH UNIVERSITY****F. M. Matthews**

Once again Vermont Alpha is back in her normal condition. We are back in our house again and appreciate our Fraternity all the more because of our enforced absence. A. G. Olsen, who was first lieutenant in the 302nd F. A., is back at college to finish his course. We expect a number of the brothers who were in service to return next year.

We have since learned that Dave Cedar was not killed, as was reported, but is with the army of occupation. Duval Allen has won the French Cross of War and has been made an honorary member of the famous Blue Devils.

On Washington's birthday we held a most successful house party. About forty couples were present to enjoy true Σ Φ E hospitality.

We wish to introduce the following to the Fraternity:

Initiated February 1, 1919:

Frederick Stanley Whelton, '20, Dorchester, Mass.

Fillmore Ray Paddock, '21, Benington, Vt.

David Benjamin Hollis, '22, New Haven, Conn.

Lester Edmund Richwagon, '22, Needham, Mass.

John Aloysius Lynch, '22, Dorchester, Mass.

Ralph Everette Edwards, '22, Waltham, Mass.

Milo Jay Beach, '20, Litchfield, Conn.

Edward Francis Merchant, '22, St. Albans, Vt.

We feel that in these men we have obtained the best in college.

In closing Vermont Alpha wishes all her sister Chapters the best of luck in the reconstruction period.

ALABAMA ALPHA**ALABAMA POLY. INSTITUTE****Frank N. Leonard**

Since our last letter we have seen the beginning of a new year. All the members of Alabama Alpha report a most enjoyable Christmas and New Year vacation, and returned ready to begin the second term of the college session determined to do even better work than before the holidays. At the beginning of the second term, eighteen men reported for duty. Since that time, L. Loy and H. H. Fleetwood took it upon themselves to seek their fortunes in the oil fields of the Southwest. Whether they found it or not remains to be seen. W. G. Fowler and P. R. Clark were called home on account of illness in their families. C. S. Howard, Class of 1921, was elected coach of the Freshman football team, and developed a splendid team from a bunch of green "Rats."

W. W. Wood was elected to the Theudaro and Keys, both interfraternity societies; J. McC. Oliver and C. S. Howard were made "Yellow Dogs." C. M. Gray was elected Honor Man for Junior Class, also Y. M. C. A. Secretary.

We hold the following offices in the R. O. T. C.: C. J. Perryman, first lieutenant band; G. O. Waits, color sergeant; W. C. Brice and A. R. Taylor, sergeants.

C. G. Wall, Class of 1917, spent several days with us. He is a first lieutenant in the artillery, just back from France.

Our mid-year dances are just over, and Sigma Phi Epsilon was well represented.

We wish to introduce:

Initiated November 14, 1918:

Walter Jackson Robertson, '22, General, Florence, Ala.

Initiated January 26, 1919:

Warren Calvin Brice, '20, Ch. E., Charlotte, N. C.

Initiated February 7, 1919:

Edgar Cecil Taylor, '20, C. M., Luverne, Ala.

They seem to be aware of the honor conferred upon them, and we believe are profoundly impressed with their obligations to Sigma Phi Epsilon.

In conclusion, Alabama Alpha extends to all her sister Chapters a most cordial and fraternal greeting, with best wishes for a successful year.

NORTH CAROLINA GAMMA TRINITY COLLEGE

Dent Turner

Owing to the fact that all of her active members were in the service until the opening of the spring term, nothing has been heard from North Carolina Gamma for quite a while. But now we are pleased to announce that we have an excellent start.

With the return of one member and a pledge work began with eagerness, and with the glory for Sigma Phi Epsilon always uppermost in mind, six pledges were obtained. Later the return of two of our brothers, R. T. Hambrick, United States Navy, and H. Y. Edgerton, United States Naval Aviation, A. E. F., aided us in going "over the top."

We wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 15, 1919:

Dent Turner, A. B., '20, Statesville, N. C.

Initiated February 17, 1919:

William Lester Phelps, A. B., '22, Cresswell, N. C.

William Wiley Bateman, A. B., '22, Cresswell, N. C.

Thornton Daniel Northcott, A. B., '22, Winton, N. C.

Thomas Allen Banks, A. B., '22, Garner, N. C.

We have two other pledges whom we hope to be able to introduce into the Fraternity in a short time.

We have had the pleasure of recent visits from brothers in the service: J. J. Hambrick, Lieutenant United States Aviation Corps; J. W. Sauls, Lieutenant United States Aviation Corps; C. W. Hackney, U. S. F. A.; H. P. Pitts, Lieutenant United States Infantry; J. T. Erwin, Lieutenant United States Aviation,

A. E. F.; H. L. Isley, Lieutenant United States Army; J. A. Northcott, United States Army, and J. F. Crowell, Royal Flying Corps, Alumni of North Carolina Beta, spent a few days with us. Brothers Willis Smith, of Raleigh, N. C., and W. L. Pridgen, of Durham, have honored us with occasional visits.

It was with the keenest regret that we learned of the death in January of Dr. Benjamin D. Gaw, one of the founders of our beloved Fraternity. For several years Brother Gaw had been pastor of the First Baptist Church of Durham, N. C., and his past close relationship with us causes North Carolina Gamma to feel an irreparable loss both to our Chapter and to our Fraternity.

We are credited with a service flag of twenty-nine blue stars. We are glad to say that so far no gold star has been added to our flag.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

J. V. Wilkie

Dartmouth's second semester began January 2nd. We had the pleasure of returning eleven brothers, who had not been here the first semester. Four of the brothers returned wearing gold bars: "Charley" Sargent, '20, had been stationed at Camp Grant; Paul Bowerman, '20, at the University of Pittsburg; "Em" Corbin, '21, at Syracuse University, and George Sackett, at Fortress Monroe. From the ranks returned "Al" Stillman, '20, who had spent several months in France with the railway artillery; "Mose" Rowell, '19, who served his time in the Signal Corps, and "Larry" Lardi, who was in the Tank Corps. The navy permitted to come back to us "Don" Bliss, '18, and "Bunny" Lodge, '19. We have now thirty-one active brothers in college.

Since our last letter we have initiated the following:

Initiated October 5, 1918:

Wilmer Webster Angell, '22, Randolph, Vt.

Initiated October 13, 1918:

William Carl Davis, '22, Falmouth, Mass.

Initiated December 8, 1918:

Auguste Fabiani (Special), Hanover, N. H.

René Manson (Special), Hanover, N. H.

Initiated February 19, 1919:

Carroll Dwight, '22, Dorchester, Mass.

Brothers Fabiani and Manson are French officers sent over to this country by their government to study in our colleges. They are both excellent men and we are proud to have them as brothers.

We have been saddened by the loss of three brothers. On October 3, 1918, Charles Enos Tayntor, '19, died at Revigny, France, as a result of double pneumonia. Brother Tayntor was buried in a cemetery with a cousin of Brother Fabiani. On October 23, 1918, Allen Scott Norton, '15, died from wounds received in service with the American Ambulance Corps. Frank Holmes Cushman, '13, who went to France with the first Harvard unit, was killed in action. We have been unable to find out the particulars of his death.

In the Musical Clubs we are represented by K. C. Bevan, '19, and C. A. Lloyd, '20. On the publications we are represented by E. O. Briggs, '21, on the editorial staff of the Dartmouth, and J. V. Wilkie, '20, on the business staff of the Dartmouth Bema. Other brothers are standing well in the competitions for positions on these publications, as well as on the Dartmouth Jack-O-Lantern. C. H. Sargent, '20, has been Assistant Manager of this year's hockey team. Paul Bowerman, '20, has been elected to Arts.

Winter Carnival, held under the direction of the Dartmouth Outing Club, is the brightest spot in this semester. Girls are an absolute scarcity in our regular college life, but this affair attracted over three hundred to Hanover. Our fourteen fair guests were without a doubt a match for any that were here. From a social standpoint, it was a very successful house party. In the Intercollegiate Ski Contests, S. A. Densmore, '21, secured the cup for the first place in the Ski Proficiency. D. W. Trainer, Jr., '21, secured second place in the Ski Dash. Both Brothers Densmore and Trainer were members of the winning Intercollegiate Ski Relay Team. R. Lodge, '19, vice-president of the Outing Club, had much to do with the success of the Carnival. We are now looking forward to as good a time for Junior Prom in May.

D. C. ALPHA**GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIV.****George T. Reeves**

The students of George Washington University are anxiously waiting for the mid-year examinations, which start February 10th. But, as all the men of the Chapter here are studious fellows, we have nothing to fear. We wish all our brothers success in their mid-years. Graduation exercises are to be held February 22nd, the baccalaureate sermon being preached Sunday, February 12th, at the Church of the Covenant. District of Columbia Alpha is not so fortunate as to have any of her men in the graduating class.

This has been an off year for athletics at George Washington. We have not even a track team, the one branch of athletics in which the University has always made a good showing. The one ray of hope is the basketball team organized after Christmas, and with little practice getting into its games and defeating Maryland State College and losing to Catholic University by only a small margin.

Although athletics have been somewhat neglected, the social activities at the University have not been. The Fraternities and Sororities all gave Christmas dances, and the Students' Council is arranging a dance for the whole University, to be held February 18th. As for the Fraternity here, we have given three dances since our last letter, two of them being in the nature of rush affairs. Several brothers from other Chapters were present at our dances, and we were mighty glad to have them with us. Our Christmas dance, held December 28th, was a fine success; the only thing we could have wished for was the presence of several of our members who are in the service. We have also held several rush smokers, which have been well attended, and the results of which are very gratifying.

We wish to introduce:

Initiated November 30, 1918:

Clarence Mortimer Godfrey, A. B., '21, Washington, D. C.

Charles Warren Schoffstall, Mechanical Engineering, '21, Reading, Pa.

Initiated March 15, 1919:

Cottrell Casper Lehman, Scientific, '20, Washington, D. C.
Johnson Clair Villiers, Chemical Eng., '21, Washington, D. C.
Lanigan Arthur Loyola, Engineering, '21, Washington, D. C.
Arthur Ira Gebhart, Chemistry, B. S., '20, Washington, D. C.

Many of the men who have been staying at the Chapter here have left and gone back to their homes, and as none of our own men have come back to us, yet the number of men at the house is somewhat depleted. Nevertheless, under the management of our new acting Alpha, John Townsend, everything is moving along nicely. We can assure any brother who would like to visit us a cordial welcome and good time at 1829 Nineteenth Street, N. W.

KANSAS ALPHA

BAKER UNIVERSITY

Harold G. Manorgan

Kansas Alpha's trying experience with military matters are past, and nothing could be brighter than the period since our last letter. Lieutenant Cecil J. Goldsmith, who was in charge of the S. A. T. C. unit at Baker, decided to enroll as a student and is now a loyal "Sig Ep."

We are extremely fortunate to have with us Mrs. Dicus, mother of Frank Dicus, as house mother. She has come to be loved and respected by us all. In athletics Kansas Alpha has been at the top. E. E. Johnson and F. W. McDonald were two of the three men from Baker who appeared upon the All-State Football Team. Baker has just won the State championship in basketball, with a record of fourteen straight victories. R. G. Nevins and F. W. McDonald were regulars on the team. Brother Nevins has been chosen center on the All-State team. Brother McDonald was forward on the second All-State team. Brother McDonald was elected captain for next year. Track is just coming on. H. S. Nye is the fastest dash man in college. We have C. A. Mitchell in the distances and S. S. Sandfort, R. V. Frye and F. W. McDonald working for places in various other events.

The Glee Club has just returned from a ten-days' trip. $\Sigma \Phi E$ had four representatives, R. V. Frye, R. S. Baldwin, R. G.

Nevins and F. W. McDonald. Brother Baldwin is reader and Brother Frye accompanist. R. G. Nevins is athletic editor of the "Yank." We have been pleased by visits from T. H. Neal, F. C. Havighurst, L. W. and W. T. Scott. We are planning upon the biggest "Stag" in our history during commencement, and expecting all the boys from "over there" to be back. This is the most successful year in the history of our Chapter, and we see prospects ahead for many more like it.

We wish to introduce:

Initiated January 28, 1919:

Cecil J. Goldsmith, A. B., Pond Creek, Okla.

Charles Armattage Mitchell, '22, Arts, Clinton, Mo.

In closing we wish our sister Chapters the greatest success possible and urge all brothers to drop in on us when in this vicinity.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

J. H. Oakley

California Alpha is once more on her feet and going strong. Our membership is small as yet, but we are steadily gaining in numbers. Five new men have been initiated this year and two more are pledged. We introduce the following:

Initiated December 14, 1918:

Herbert Barth, '22, Eng., San Francisco, Cal.

Initiated January 23, 1919:

Philip Ralph Surryhne, '22, Med., Modesto, Cal.

Initiated January 27, 1919:

George McQueen Landon, '22, Mech. Eng., Berkeley, Ga.

Initiated March 3, 1919:

James Hobby Oakley, '22, Com., Piedmont, Cal.

Initiated March 18, 1919:

Howard Joseph Quinan, '22, Chem. Eng., Oakland, Cal.

Initiated March 31, 1919:

Reginald Biggs.

Initiated April 27, 1919:

Curtis Earl Wetter, '21, Law, Corning, Ga.

At present we are located in the Bancroft Apartments and are not running a board department. However, we are looking forward to the fall semester, when we expect to rent a larger place until we build, which time we hope is not far off.

Most of the men are back from the service and several others are expected back in the fall. Several of the Alumni have attended our Monday night meetings in the last few weeks. Among them are C. H. Jensen, R. L. Flannery, H. G. Thiele, W. A. Benner, Oscar Bailey, H. E. Rahlmann, D. C. Aitken, Donald English, and H. W. Morton. Lieutenant Morton has just returned from France. He brought back the Forty-third Ammunition Train and is out of the service now. Lieutenant D. C. Aitken dropped in one Monday night, having just arrived from Denver. We had a letter from Quincy Wright a few days ago, saying he had arrived in Baltimore after several months' foreign service. Ensign O. R. Caldwell is back and is one of the leading men at a local theatre. He expects to return to college in the fall.

Some of the Chapter members are doing good work in athletics. C. E. Wetter played on the 'Varsity basketball team and won his Block letter. Holtz, one of the pledges, made the Freshman swimming team and will probably win a place on the Freshman crew.

P. R. Surryhne has taken out a leave of absence and has left for Guatemala, where he will work as an overseer on a plantation.

We extend best wishes to all our sister Chapters.

NEBRASKA ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA****Howard H. Bennett**

With the opening of a new and brighter semester, Nebraska Alpha finds herself entering a new era of prosperity, having a full house for the first time in a year and a half. Several of our members who left the University, after discharge from the S. A. T. C., are with us again, along with the return of "Pith" Pickett, Ed. Hoffman, Avery Pickering, Roy Inbody, Payson Marshall, William Holt and Fred Hellner. Mid-year's rushing secured us four excellent pledges. Things are lining up in very fair shape and considerable "speed" may be expected of this Chapter.

The most important event occurring since our last writing was the meeting of the Executive Committee in Lincoln, February 1st. Those of us who had not met these men before considered it a rare privilege to visit and gain suggestions from them. Entertainment was furnished in the way of a dinner and theatre party. Brother Scott, of Kansas Alpha, accompanied Brother Price from Topeka.

G. H. Gardner represented this Chapter at the District Convention, held at Iowa City, February 6th and 7th, and brought back some very good thoughts and suggestions with him.

We are well represented, as usual, in athletics. J. C. Pickett is playing regularly on 'Varsity basketball. E. M. Campbell and Pledge Harper are practically sure of places on the track team. Two of our Freshmen are playing Frosh basketball, and under the leadership of J. C. Pickett, we feel it will be an easy matter to get Interfraternity championship.

Social functions are in full sway again and we have entertained the "class" of the Sororities by two house parties, which were considered the best held this year. Gayle's Musical Merry Makers furnished us with the best of music. G. V. Grubbs' musicians, under the business managership of M. L. Van Horne, are known as the "Sig Ep" orchestra and have booked the majority of the formals for the season. We are planning on having our formal rather late, about the first of May, so a number of older members can attend.

F. N. Hellner has been elected president of the University Commercial Club. G. H. Gardner was re-elected business man-

ager of the Daily Nebraskan for the semester. G. V. Grubb is on the Nebraskan, Awgwan and Cornhusker staffs and initiated $\Sigma \Delta \Omega$. Brother Grubb is also chairman of the entertainment committee for University week. A. W. Walker has been initiated ΣT and E. F. Luckey initiated Viking, the honorary junior society. Holohan has been appointed chairman of the Freshman hop and H. H. Bennett is on the committee for Pre-Medic night.

We have recently received word that Lieutenant "Tommy" MacMillan, A. E. F., of Nebraska Alpha, is back from overseas, having been wounded twice in action. We hope for his speedy recovery and return to University next fall.

R. L. Theisen is now in business in Lincoln, having recently returned from the army, and of course is making his headquarters at 1319 Que Street.

We have recently been paid visits by O. W. Townsend, L. R. Graf, Lieutenant C. Potter, J. L. Dale, Lieutenant E. F. Shea, A. E. Bennett, K. I. Marcy, S. L. Keller, C. A. Geist, Lieutenant Henry Theisen, J. Aldrich and Pledges Brumgaard and Herrick, all of this Chapter.

Professor Bengston, honorary member of the Fraternity and head of the Geography Department of the University, is now in Washington for a short stay before a trip to Europe concerning reconstruction work of governmental supervision.

Officers for this year are: John Pickett, President; P. D. Marshall, Vice-President; A. L. Isham, Secretary; A. F. Saxton, Treasurer; H. H. Bennett, Historian; R. P. Costello, Guard; H. E. Harris, Marshal; A. W. Walker, Marshal; C. B. Scott and R. L. Theisen, Alumni Advisers.

We sincerely wish success to all of our sister Chapters in this reconstructive period.

WASHINGTON ALPHA

WASH. STATE COLLEGE

Eugene M. McLaughlin

The second quarter opened December 31, 1918. The enrollment was down, due to the withdrawal of the S. A. T. C. unit from the college. The "Flu" ban has been lifted, allowing the resumption of college social functions.

We have twenty-five men living in the house, which is the capacity. Besides this, there are five men living outside.

A. T. Fleming, B. L. Stone and W. L. Bell have returned to college after being discharged from the navy. W. P. Shirk is also back on the campus, having returned from the Naval Radio School at Mare Island.

In campus activities we are as well represented as ever. "Pink" McIvor is captain of the 'Varsity basketball team and president of the Gray "W" Club, honorary athletic fraternity. Our Senior members, C. W. Phillips, R. McKenna and W. Reinhardt, are active on the campus, all being members of Alpha Zeta and Crimson Circle. Brother Phillips is also on the Executive Committee of the associated students. Brother Stone is a member of the Athletic Council and was recently elected to membership in Sigma Tau. H. H. George is now editing the *Evergreen*, our college paper. Along musical lines we have W. E. Coe, tenor in the Glee Club, and P. H. Fox and K. B. McCroskey in the band. We will be glad to entertain you with the Sig Ep. Jazz Orchestra when you visit us.

The news of H. E. Turner's death is another example of the greatest of all sacrifices, to give one's life for his country. Brother Turner is the third man of Washington Alpha to make the supreme sacrifice. Louis Leidl was reported missing in action some time ago, but no word has been received of him since then.

Lieutenant G. T. McMahon, of the Chemical Warfare Service, has been mustered out of the service and has gone back into business as senior partner of the White Drug Co., of Pullman. John McNamara, who attended the Artillery Officers' Training Camp at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, received his commission as a lieutenant in the artillery.

During the last month we were visited by Sergeant Bangs, member of the Mare Island football team, and "Si" Stites, who contracted the "Flu" during his visit. Lieutenant John Stone paid us a brief but interesting visit. Ensign "Speed" Holgerson has just returned from a trip in European and South American waters, spent two days with us. He expects to be billeted aboard the *Mauretania*. P. A. Harvey, of Minnesota Alpha, visited us and attended the military ball while here.

On Monday night, at basketball, Washington State defeated Idaho 31 to 26. Our house team won from the S. A. E.'s by a

score of 32 to 6. E. M. McLaughlin, State Advisor for Montana, just returned from a visit with Montana Alpha, and reports the Chapter there in excellent condition. Clem Phillips, captain of the track team, and B. L. Stone, R. M. King, E. I. Jenne and P. H. Fox are working hard for the coming track meets.

In closing, we hope our sister Chapters have survived the war crisis as well as we have, and wish them the best of success and prosperity.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA MASS. AGRI. COLLEGE

J. F. Carleton

With the signing of the armistice and the subsequent release of men from the service, our men started returning to college and to Sigma Phi Epsilon, so that we now have twenty-six brothers, including twelve men recently initiated, and our Chapter is rapidly returning to its pre-war standing.

The first three weeks were spent in one of the most strenuous rushing seasons that this college has ever witnessed, and resulted in the best of success for Sigma Phi Epsilon. We have a greater number of men than any of the eight other fraternities on the campus.

We wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 27, 1919:

Joseph Daniel Evers, '21, Malden, Mass.

Initiated February 17, 1919:

Charles Sale Cross, '22, Hingham Center, Mass.
Carlyle Hale Gowdy, '22, Westfield, Mass.
Albert Arthur Jarvis, '22, Barre, Mass.
Harold Nelson Jarvis, '22, Barre, Mass.
George Henry Thompson, Jr., '22, Lenox, Mass.
Francis Edward Hooper, '22, Revere, Mass.
John Joseph Lyons, Jr., '22, Arlington, Mass.
Herbert Lawrence Collins, '22, Arlington, Mass.
Stuart Carleton Morgan, '22, Worcester, Mass.
Walter Jesse Rollins, '22, Leominster, Mass.
George Asa Cotton, '22, Woburn, Mass.

Initiated March 3, 1919:

George Blanchard Packer, '22, Waterbury, Conn.

The "Collegian," the college paper, with A. L. Chandler as managing editor, is once more appearing weekly. M. R. Bacon, '20, and G. B. Packer, '22, are working in the competition for the Collegian Board. In the recent election C. G. Mattoon was elected Vice-President of his class, Chairman of the Commencement Banquet Committee, and a member of the Smoker Committee. V. R. Callanan, class treasurer; W. J. Sweeney, class marshal, class song and cheer leader and property manager of the Senior Show. A. L. Chandler, Chairman of the Commencement Decoration Committee, and A. F. Cosby is a member of the Commencement Banquet Committee.

Although the weather has been unfavorable for hockey, we have a very fast team, which was proved by the defeat of Williams, 2-0, on February 1st. W. J. Sweeney, '19, R. C. Coombs, '21, H. L. Collins and J. J. Lyons, '22, are on the squad. J. D. Evers, '21, is in the competition for assistant manager of hockey.

Our 'Varsity Relay team defeated New Hampshire State in a fast race at the East Armory, Boston, on February 15, 1919, V. P. Callanan, A. L. Chandler, J. F. Carleton and W. I. Cross are showing up well on the track. S. C. Morgan and R. H. Sanford are out for assistant manager of track.

C. H. Gowdy is making good as a back on the 'Varsity basketball team, and F. E. Hooper is a big asset to the Freshman team.

The 'Varsity Rifle team promises to compare favorably with the competent teams that we have had in former years. W. J. Sweeney, an "M" man, and V. D. Callanan will help greatly the standing of the team.

Interclass athletics, with A. L. Chandler as the president of the board, are already under way in the form of basketball; A. D. Long is on the Sophomore squad, J. F. Carleton is manager of the Junior team, and G. H. Thompson as captain of the Freshman team, is playing a good game.

We are represented by A. F. Cosby on the college orchestra. W. S. Beauregard on the Mandolin Club, and W. J. Sweeney and G. A. Cotton on the Glee Club. Brother Sweeney is also a member of the quartette.

Interfraternity relay races have started; we have won our first four races, and there is no reason why we should not win the other four and the Trophy Cup, and at the same time set up a new record for the Interfraternity races at Massachusetts Agricultural College. The present record for the 1,040 yards is two minutes and eleven seconds. We have a wealth of material in Brothers Sweeney, Chandler, Quadland, Cross, Collins, Cascio and H. Jarvis.

At the Chapter meeting of February 17th, Brother Coombs made an instructive report on the First and Second District Conference at Albany on February 15th, and we shall receive much help from what he learned.

Brothers Bevan and Stillman, of New Hampshire Alpha, made us a visit this week end.

We are looking forward to a grand get-together at our initiation banquet on March 15th. We expect many of our Alumni back and are assured of a pleasant and beneficial time.

In closing, Massachusetts Alpha sends her best greetings and wishes for the success of her sister Chapters.

NEW YORK BETA**CORNELL UNIVERSITY****Selden W. Ostrom**

New York Beta is still steadily regaining its life during these post-bellum days, and by the end of the year ought to be firmly in position to take up the work of next year with the spirit of preceding years. Owing to the irregular conditions during the war and their disastrous effects, together with the effects of the S. A. T. C. term, several of the members of this Chapter are either working or still in service, contemplating returning when fully normal conditions are in operation.

Since our last letter we have held two initiations and wish to introduce the following:

Initiated December 7, 1918:

Sanford Ruby Parker, Jr., M. E., '22, Madisonville, N. Y.
William George Rhodes, M. E., '22, Ithaca, N. Y.

Initiated February 8, 1919:

Bradley Dorr Walls, M. E., '22, Buffalo, N. Y.

These initiations took place at the University Club, because the Government was still in control of the Chapter house.

Although the total number of initiates for this year is relatively small, our number has been increased by the return of some of the older men who were in service. They are Earl F. Beer, '18, Thomas G. Weilepp, '18, Harry B. Hoffman, '19, Harry L. Aldrich, '19, John L. Taylor, '19, H. M. Whitcomb, '19, and Wade I. Wilson, '20. The return of these brothers brings our Chapter roll up to eighteen members. The return of several more men is expected in March, at the beginning of the third term, and still more at the beginning of the new year in October.

On Washington's birthday evening we held open dance in the Chapter house. The house was literally packed to the doors and everyone expressed themselves as having the best kind of a time. We were happily surprised on the evening of the dance by a visit of a few hours from Lieutenant "Ken" Doty, who had just returned from France. Brother Doty was wounded during the hard fighting and carries a piece of shrapnel in his pocket that was removed from his hand.

On March 8th the University came back into its own when an indoor Spring Day took place in the new State Drill Hall. The big hall was edged with a bevy of side shows of all sorts and a large space in the center was roped off for dancing. True to the Spring Day spirit, everyone in this vicinity turned out and spent all they had, for which they received nothing. The carnival was called the "Hardly Fair," and was given for the benefit of the Athletic Association. Over \$1,500 was cleared on the undertaking.

Within the Chapter we have several men out for various activities "on the hill." T. L. Collum, '20, has been elected assistant manager for wrestling. H. B. Hoffman, '19, is rowing on the 'Varsity crew. M. H. Forester, '21, and I. B. Baugher, '21, are bidding strong for assistant managerships of the minor sports and baseball competitions, respectively. A. N. Lawson, '21, has been appointed to the managerial board of the Cornell Countryman. H. C. Stewart, '22, is making good at Freshman track, having captured first place in the Freshman hurdle races in the last two weekly meets.

Immediately following the closing of school in June the big Semi-Centennial celebration will take place. A baseball game with Pennsylvania, a crew race, the unveiling of the new statue

of Ezra Cornell on the campus are only a few of the events that are on the program. Thousands of Alumni and visitors are expected for this big event, which will very likely be one of the biggest reunions that Cornell has ever had.

We were deeply moved on hearing of the death of one of our older brothers, Ward Nicholas Hoffman, '15. Hoffman was a sergeant in service with the A. E. F. when his death occurred in France from pneumonia. While active within the Chapter he was one of the most popular men on the Chapter roll.

We close in wishing our sister Chapters the best of luck for the remainder of the 1918-1919 season.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA**BROWN UNIVERSITY**

Robert A. Lawder

Once more Rhode Island Alpha extends greetings to its sister Chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon. The necessary transition is taking place, now that the war is over, and gradually order is coming out of chaos. The men in service are returning to college and old Brown is once more taking up its pre-war routine. Of course many of the men will never return, but we that are left glory in their sacrifice, and feel justly proud of the great victories they have won.

The rushing and pledging system of this year varied from former years. The rushing period extended over a period of but two weeks. Then followed a four-day period, during which there was no intercourse between the Fraternities and Freshmen. Then on a certain night all men were issued bids. If they do not accept that night, they were not allowed to do so until April, 1919. The system is far from being a success, and the Brown Interfraternity Governing Board must devise some scheme far better than the one followed this year.

L. B. Howell, '20, is hard at work as assistant manager of the "Liber," the Brown year book, published by the Greek letter fraternities. Brother Howell is 100% business man all the time now. R. A. Lawder, '19, is again leader of the Glée Club. He is also taking an active part in the dramatic society of the college, the Sock and Buskin. W. B. Skerrye, '19, is doing much to make the Brown Union, the college get-together building, a point of great interest to everyone this year.

At Brown this year we have K. O. Mason, '14, who is teaching English. We also have H. F. Davison, '15, who has been made an assistant professor of chemistry.

In closing, Rhode Island Alpha Chapter wishes her sister Chapters the best of luck during the year to come and trusts it will prove highly successful for all.

MICHIGAN ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

F. C. Naylor

Exams have now begun. We at Michigan have all been burning up the midnight oil and Sigma Phi Epsilon is assured of a high scholastic standard for the past semester, in spite of the S. A. T. C. and the S. N. T. C. units.

On the night of January 8th we suffered a severe loss when our Chapter house, at 621 South State Street, was totally ruined by fire. During the war crisis the Sigma Phi Epsilon house was used as a barracks for a company of sailors in the S. N. T. C. They had been demobilized and the house was made ready for our occupation. Just how the fire originated we do not know, but we were in the midst of moving back in when it occurred. We had moved one load of furniture, and two of the boys were sleeping in the house that Tuesday night. About 3 A. M. they were awakened by a rumbling sound, which they discovered was caused by the flames. The fire department worked about three hours before they had the fire under control. The house has been gutted, the whole inside is burned out, the south side of the building is gone, and the roof is burned off. Some of our most valuable pieces of furniture were destroyed, but fortunately we were not completely moved, so that we have not suffered so heavily on that end as we might have. We carried insurance for \$6,000 on the house.

We will in all probability build a new house on the old site. Owing to the high cost of materials, labor, etc., we have not made any definite plans as yet. At the present time we are located at 417 East Huron Street, in a large old colonial mansion. We are exceedingly fortunate in obtaining this house, which will accommodate thirty men easily, and we are expecting at least that many to return to college by February 17th, the beginning of the second semester. The house is located just two

blocks from the campus, surrounded by many great oak trees, on about one acre of land.

Now that the war is over, we are planning on resuming the old social life. Washington's birthday we will hold our first party in our new house. This will be the beginning of a series of dancing parties which we intend to give during the year. We are also expecting to have a house party for the "J" hop, which will take place April 15th.

In athletics we have not been very well represented this year. However, we have "Earnie" Vick, this year's 'Varsity football center, pledged. "Curt" Later, our representative on the basketball and track teams last year, is still in the service. "Bill" Westcott will be here for the second semester, in time for spring baseball.

We now have five pledges, and expect a few more by March 1st, when we hold our next initiation. We are expecting to have one of the largest active Chapters in several years.

W. D. Baker, first lieutenant, aviation, gave up his life for his country last August, while on a scouting expedition over the German lines. We mourn his loss very deeply.

L. D. Metzger, second lieutenant, infantry, was severely wounded and disabled for life while going over the top, somewhere in France.

Some of the old boys have already come back for the second semester. Jim Croushore, Billy Boehm and King Field being the early arrivals. "King" will live at Delta Theta Phi this year. Among those expected back for the second semester are Reed Hunt, John Haymaker, Edwin Bowers, Phil Emery, Irving Ellison, Don Lester, Viggo Hansen, George Harrington, Leonard Longwill, Julian Joseph, John Brophy, Charles Hardy, Virgil Waite, William Westcott and Glenn Larsen.

E. G. Cressell, of Pennsylvania Delta, paid us a visit over last week end. He is stationed in the Quartermaster Corps, Detroit. We hope all brothers in $\Sigma \Phi E$ will visit us often. We are always pleased to have any of the brothers drop in, and extend the courtesies of our new home to any visiting brothers.

IOWA ALPHA**IOWA WESLEYAN COLLEGE****M. McC. Day**

Our Chapter has gone through many changes since the last Chapter letter was written. After being discharged from the S. A. T. C. on December 15th, we got busy and were able to move back into our old house by New Year's Day, and we have in some ways returned to the good old Chapter house life. But it has not been an easy pathway, and we have not yet been able to entirely overcome the effects of the S. A. T. C. on our Fraternity life.

We were gratified to have two of our seniors, F. J. Snider and L. E. Moats, return for the second semester, and we have, by their aid, strengthened our Chapter to some extent. We have also added three pledges, who make up for the three men who did not return after the demobilization, so that our number of prospectives continues to be ten.

We wish to introduce to the Fraternity:

Initiated April 3, 1919:

Karl Elmer Baker, L. A., '22, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Charles Henry Yocum, L. A., '22, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

We greatly enjoyed a visit from our Grand Guard, Frank G. Louthan, as he was on his way to the meeting of the Executive Committee. Three of our men attended the District Conclave held at Iowa Gamma, and we received many suggestions of interest and help.

It has been a hard pull through the trying S. A. T. C. regime, and we have not been able to altogether counteract the conditions caused, but we are confident of finishing this year in fair shape and preparing for a grand old year for Iowa Alpha when college opens next fall.

We wish the greatest success to our sister Chapters during the remaining few months of this year and trust they may be able to get back to the old state of affairs.

COLORADO BETA**UNIVERSITY OF DENVER****Kenneth A. Hill**

At last Fraternity affairs at the University of Denver are beginning to assume their pre-war aspect. Our warriors have come back and have brought with them their old-time "pep" and their old-time interest in school activities.

We wish to introduce the following:

Initiated January 14, 1919:

Harrison Lowe Hayes, L. A., '21, Savery, Wyo.
Cecil Beecher Bond, L. A., '21, Denver, Col.
Jack William Salisbury, L. A., '23, Denver, Col.
Hugh Robert Quinn, L. A., '23, Flagler, Col.
John Chester Crowell, L. A., '23, Denver, Col.
Leslie DeVaughn Hoskins, L. A., '21, Denver, Col.

Initiated February 10, 1919:

Edward L. Compton, Law, '21, Denver, Col.
Robert Emmett Geary, L. A., '23, Denver, Col.
Carlos Gordon Stratton, L. A., '22, Denver, Col.
Charles Byron Roth, L. A., '22, Denver, Col.

The success of this last initiation was greatly added to by a visit from Kenneth Shaw, one of our brethren from New York, who lent his imagination and inventive genius to the good work of impressing the great truths of the Fraternity upon the minds of the Freshmen.

The basketball season is now on in full swing, and H. R. Quinn is proving his prowess along this line. The social season is also on, and several good stunts have helped to add to the prestige of Sigma Phi Epsilon. In co-operation with Colorado Alpha and Colorado Gamma, we are now planning a big formal dance for sometime this spring.

We hope that the other Chapters are also feeling the returning energy and interest, and wish them all the best of success.

TENNESSEE ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE**Percy E. Kirby**

Tennessee Alpha has been coming strong lately and is still going, with no intention of slowing up, and we are glad to acknowledge that we owe it all to our Grand Secretary. Uncle Billy visited us about a month ago, and what the bunch lacked he put into us. He told us just where we were strong and just where we were weak, and left us with a promise from us that we would remedy our defects, and we think we have. We climbed up out of our easy chair, laid aside the old pipe and went out on the hill and pledged five good men; men that could have joined other fraternities, but were waiting for an $\Sigma \Phi E$ bid. They have been initiated since, and more loyal and enthusiastic men we have never had. With these and the old men we're expecting to return next term, we will have as large a Chapter as ever, and we will feel entirely satisfied that we have not lowered the "Sig Phi Ep" standard.

We take pleasure in presenting to the Fraternity at large the following men:

Initiated November 24, 1918:

Jack Perkins Petty, '21, Hamburg, Tenn.
Albert Fitzpatrick Officer, '22, Livingston, Tenn.
James Grady Bowen, '21, Savannah, Tenn.
David Bryan Duke, '20, Martin, Tenn.
Robert Henry White, '22, Martin, Tenn.

Initiated January 14, 1919:

John Edward Thornton, '21, Knoxville, Tenn.

Initiated February 17, 1919:

Halmond Kinsland Stanfield, '21, Knoxville, Tenn.
Howard Anderson, '21, Knoxville, Tenn.
John Martin Pickens, '22, Lexington, Tenn.
Robert Denton Duke, '22, Martin, Tenn.

Initiated February 24, 1919:

Clifford Frank Cornell, '22, Atlanta, Ga.

We'll vouch for these men being real Fraternity men, and what's better, real "Sig Phi Eps." One or two of them are engineers, consequently are grinds, but they find time to step out once or twice a week and find favor with the ladies.

H. K. Stanfield has gone out and garnered all of the business managerships on the Hill, and most of the other fellows are working at something for themselves in the Fraternity.

The Chapter received a letter from Lieutenant Randall Eagle, who is now in charge of a receiving station on the other side. He wrote very interestingly of his work and pleasures, and told about meeting several Sig Phi Eps from this and other Chapters, among them Graham Vowell, one-time Southern football hero, who again has the title of "Captain," this time of a company of marines. Rudy yearns for the time when he will again be an active member of Tennessee Alpha. We were fortunate in getting a large percentage of men overseas, and although this has hurt us this year, they will all be back next fall, and with the number of men that we return from this year's bunch, we will have the best Chapter in our history. In fact, the prospects are so good that we have already made arrangements to secure our old house on Clinch Street, so next fall will see us back at 1218, the best Fraternity house in the city. We're starting right now to collect new furniture, so that the furnishings will be as handsome as the exterior.

The University suffered a great blow in the death of its President, Brown Ayres. He was one of the greatest educators in the South, and his death is sincerely mourned, not only in the University circle, but throughout the educational world. He was a true friend of the student and ever willing to lend a helping hand to the Fraternities. A more broad-minded, liberal man never occupied a University's presidential chair.

Due to the death of the President, there has been a dearth of social activities during the past month, but on the last night of February every one of us are going to slick up in his full-dress and take his lady to the Pan-Hellenic dance at the club. This promises to be the best dance of the year. Vitto is coming from Nashville to furnish the jazz and everybody is looking forward to a good time.

We have had with us during the past few weeks at various times some of our old men, who will be remembered by the other Alumni; among them Lee Barns, of Chattanooga, Fred

Bibb, of this city, and Jack Allred, who is an Alumnus of Tennessee Alpha and Missouri Alpha; Ben Bowers, of Knoxville, has just been discharged from the army, and he is a frequent and welcome visitor.

Tennessee Alpha extends greetings to her sister Chapters, and assures them that a hearty welcome awaits any Sig Phi Ep who may stray down this way.

MISSOURI ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Joseph Miles Hale

With conditions getting back somewhat toward normal, now that the S. A. T. C. is a thing of the past, Missouri Alpha of Sigma Phi Epsilon is once more installed in her Chapter house, with cheering prospects for the future. We have fourteen men back in the house and are constantly on the lookout for new and desirable men. We feel that the fall term will find us as strong or stronger than ever.

We have recently had delightful visits from some of our old men—most of them returned from the war. Among these visitors were the following brothers: Lieutenants Crutchfield, Simmons, Henry, Libbey, Koontz and Sames. Also James Day and Mitchell Tucker, discharged, respectively, from the navy and the marines, have been with us for short visits. We were mighty glad to see these brothers back again.

To offset our good luck, we have been saddened by the death of our brothers in service—David Banks and Velpo Street. David died of influenza at the naval hospital at Hampton Roads, February 17th. Velpo died of disease in France shortly before Christmas. These have been serious losses to our Chapter.

We are still planning on building a house as soon as conditions, financial and otherwise, are a little more stable.

We are reviving the social side of our life with a few informal functions. We had a matinee dance at the Chapter house March 1st. Also we are giving a series of dinner parties.

Missouri Alpha trusts that this will find all the Chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon filled with new hope and facing a brighter future.

WISCONSIN ALPHA**LAWRENCE COLLEGE****G. Earl Watson**

Once again Wisconsin Alpha extends her heartiest greetings to all her sister Chapters and wishes them all the best of luck. The S. A. T. C. has been entirely disbanded in college and we are back in our old house, after having it greatly renovated inside. Nine of our men are living in it.

The older members are gradually returning from various branches of the army and navy. Among those who have returned recently and have resumed their work in Lawrence are Brothers A. K. Vincent, Walter Eiler, Glen McElroy, Arno Waldscleger and Earl Watson. Walter Hunting has been released from the Air Service, having been stationed in England, and will resume his college work next fall.

We are very glad to introduce to the Fraternity at large the following initiates:

Initiated February 10, 1919:

Carroll Heft, '22, Racine, Wis.
Ralph Nichols, '22, Duluth, Minn.
Carold Stowe, '22, Appleton, Wis.
Carleton Stowe, '22, Appleton, Wis.
Chester Roberts, '12, Appleton, Wis.

Brother Roberts was a member of the old local fraternity before it became Sigma Phi Epsilon. C. Heft and R. Nichols are on the Intercollegiate debate teams.

The Fraternity house was formally opened on February 15th, as on that evening we had a very successful house party, and all attending claim a very pleasant evening.

During the past few weeks, two of our worthy members have made real rapid progress along some lines. The engagement of Miss Edna Youtz, of Appleton, to Eugene Wright, also of Appleton, has been announced, and likewise that of Miss Marjorie Newton, of Waupauw, Wis., to F. C. Rosecrance, of Rockford, Ill. Both the young ladies are members of the Delta Gamma Sorority, and are very active in many college activities.

We received the sad news a few weeks ago of the death of one of the older members of Wisconsin Alpha. Lieutenant

E. J. Baldwin, ex-'18, was killed in a railroad wreck "over there" while on his way to join the army of occupation in Germany. He was always one of our most active members, and as a friend and brother his loss will be keenly felt.

During the past few weeks we were visited by Ensign Carl Olsen, ex-'18. Brother Olsen is a naval aviator and has made a very enviable record in his patrol work in Southern Florida. He expects to be retained in the service as an instructor for some months to come.

The rehearsals of the College Glee Club are progressing very favorably. Sigma Phi Epsilon is represented by seven members and pledges.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA

PENN. STATE COLLEGE

Miles L. Thomas

The second semester of our college year is now under full sway and Sigma Phi Epsilon is again her old self.

Our house is filled, having a total of twenty-seven men, who are all active members, and we are expecting even more of the old men back within a few days. Those who have recently been discharged from "Uncle Sam's" forces, and who are back for the remaining college year, are James Allen, John Brown, John Eby, George Hooks, Myers Jones, Donald McDonald, William Schultz, and Henry Smith. Of these, four had been commissioned and the others were well on their way towards graduation in O. T. C. camps.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large the following members:

Initiated February 3, 1919:

John DeWitt Brown, '22, Mech. Eng., Kittanning, Pa.
Charles Harper Hosterman, '22, Mech. Eng., Boalsburg, Pa.
George Hamlin Kline, '22, Elec. Eng., Kittanning, Pa.

Our basketball team, which is a member of the "Inter-fraternity Basketball League," is represented by William Howe, '22, Francis Hoyt, '21, David Cameron, '19, John Brown, '20, Elven Williams, '22, William Shultz, '21, and Amandus Boyer,

'21. Though we are not as yet leading the league, we expect to be among the foremost when the season closes.

Those elected to represent our Chapter in the Interfraternity Council are E. L. Hoffman and J. E. Bolich.

During the past four weeks we have received visits from some of the old members who have been recently discharged from the service. Among whom were Roscoe S. Shultz, Lieutenant in Aviation; Jesse K. Johnson, lieutenant United States Infantry, and John L. Way, first sergeant United States Infantry.

All in all, our prospects for success the remainder of the year are very bright, and we hope that those of all the other Chapters are the same.

OHIO EPSILON

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Arlie H. Krussell

The regular trend of university life has now resumed its course at Ohio Wesleyan and our local Chapter is enjoying the usual prosperity connected with normal times.

A. E. Mackie and H. D. Fritz are our representatives in baseball this year. We are sure of them pulling down a place on the regular team. In Interfraternity basketball we have won in the preliminaries and are about to play the semi-finals. A. B. Augustein is regular guard on the Freshman team this year. H. L. Davis and F. D. Gunn have both won places on the Freshman-Sophomore debate teams. In the musical line, we have two men on the University quartet. C. V. Cole and J. E. Rogers and three men on the Glee Club, H. D. Davenport, H. J. Canright and E. V. Underwood.

Immediately after the holidays the social activities were opened with a big Fraternity party. This was followed in a short time by the Pan-Hellenic Smoker. The more spacious accommodations of our new house gave us the opportunity to extend the invitation for this affair, and the other ten Fraternities responded in full numbers. We followed with our annual Sisters' Party, which made another very pleasant social function. Then, on the afternoon of the 22nd, we held open house and entertained another large crowd. All these very pleasant

occasions have made us appreciate more than ever what it means to be back in the house.

During the month we have had visits from Brothers Newell and Cornell, from Ohio Gamma, and from Pledge Farrow, of Ohio Alpha. Our latch string is always out to any visiting brothers or pledges. The following Alumni of our own Chapter have paid us visits just recently: E. M. Pierce, A. F. Landstreet, P. M. Spurrier, R. O. Canright, C. H. Leech and C. P. Warner. Brother Pierce has just returned from France, where he was connected with a machine gun unit. Brother Landstreet was on a business tour from Florida. Brother Spurrier, who was our mainstay on the football team for two years, and who has been in the aviation branch of the army, expects to go into Y. M. C. A. work soon. Two of our old men returned to school for the second semester—A. E. Mackie and J. E. Brown. In all we now have twenty-three men in school.

Brothers Rogers and Conner were our representatives to the Conference of the Fifth District, which was held at Indiana Alpha. They brought us a report that will help us materially in our work. They also were enthusiastic in their praise of the splendid reception given them at Indiana Alpha and desire to extend their thanks to that Chapter for the courtesies rendered.

We trust that every Chapter is coming back to a normal basis as rapidly as our own, and we bespeak for all a prosperous time for the rest of the year, such as we would not have dreamed of three months ago.

COLORADO GAMMA**COL. AGRI. COLLEGE****C. Milton Tompkins**

Colorado Gamma takes pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated February 22, 1919:

Charles Hawthorn Strickland, '22, Agr., Eaton, Col.
Clarence Clayton Banks, '22, Liberal Arts, Denver, Col.
Clarence Jesse Kimsey, '22, Eng., Fort Collins, Col.
Jack Norman Matheson, '22, Agr., Denver, Col.
Frederick Walter Lapham, '22, Eng., Castle Rock, Col.
Clarence Joseph Dodsworth, '22, Veterinary, Goldfield, Col.
Leonard Ross Harvey, '22, Eng., Clifton, Col.
Oliver Baum, '22, Eng., Ashton, Idaho.
Mark Mitchell Guffy, '22, Veterinary, Fort Scott, Kan.
Frederick Hooper Denison, '22, Agr., Denver, Col.

In the evening of the same day, the third annual initiation dance was given at Central Hall in honor of our new members. Some fifty-five couples were present. During the evening simple refreshments were served. Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Robbins were among the patrons and patronesses.

At the initiation dance we were honored by the presence of Brothers Allen, Bell, Brown, Paland and Schrepferman, of Colorado Alpha, and Brothers Atkinson and Preston, Alumnus of Colorado Beta. We regret that more of our sister Chapters could not have been represented.

Homer Graham, who earned his commission and was later sent to France, arrived home in time to attend our festivities. He has since returned to his home in Montrose.

William Yetter, who also gained a lieutenant's commission, came up from Denver for the dance. After the first of March he will be stationed at Canon City for a period of six weeks as Deputy State Entomologist, having as his problem the apple-tree leaf roller. When this work is completed he will proceed to Paonia, where his time will be spent on the work relating to the control of the alfalfa weevil.

Fred Smith, '20, visited us for several days last month. He will not return to college until next September, on account of poor health.

We enjoyed visits from C. N. Wiggins and W. Schumacher during February. Both were enroute home from camp. The latter got his commission at Camp Taylor, Kentucky.

Our Chapter has been well represented in basketball activities this year. R. B. Moorhead is captain and W. C. Nye is on the first team. J. G. Blanch and C. H. Strickland have been playing as substitutes. Because of the fact that Brother Moorhead was the only veteran basketball player who returned the first of the year, a new team had to be moulded out of practically green material. This accounts in large measure for our failure to win games. Of late, the team has been showing lots of "pep," and we are entertaining strong hopes of winning the remaining games on the schedule.

A. T. Bennett has been elected business manager of the Silver Spruce, the annual publication gotten out by the Junior class.

About ten of our pledges failed to return to college, most of them deciding to wait until September before continuing their studies. Twelve old members returned, and we now have about twenty-two active brothers. We have learned that twelve other old members will probably be with us next September, as by that time they will have been discharged from the service.

Leo Antles was with us for two months, and recently left for Grand Junction, to continue his entomological work for the Government.

The college quarter will end the third week in March, and the last quarter will commence immediately thereafter. From present indications, summer vacation will begin about the second week in June.

We send our best wishes to our sister Chapters, and trust that all have met with much success in reorganizing.

MINNESOTA ALPHA

UNIV. OF MINNESOTA

Kenneth A. March

Fraternity conditions at Minnesota are again becoming normal. Our active Chapter to date consists of eleven brothers

and four pledges. Since our last letter to the Journal we have initiated:

Initiated February 6, 1919:

Robert William Anderberg, Academic, '21, St. Paul, Minn.

Robert Kenneth Dixon, Medicine, '20, St. Charles, Minn.

Oscar D. Nelson, Dentistry, '21, Minneapolis, Minn.

Several of our men are still "over there," and some were discharged after the second quarter of school began, and consequently were unable to register. When the fall term starts we hope to have these brothers again with us. So far as we know, there were no casualties in Minnesota Alpha during the war.

Our rushing season is now on, and while we are handicapped by not having our house open, at present we have succeeded in pledging several good men, whom we are certain will prove worthy of wearing our emblem. We have given two dances and a series of real rushing parties.

Brother Maxwell, of Nebraska Alpha, who has been in service for the past three years, has been visiting us for a few days on his way to Butte, Mont. He brings us news from several Chapters in the East which he has had the pleasure of visiting during his army career.

In closing, let us say that we feel more keenly than ever a spirit of fellowship toward our brothers. During our army life, most of us who are back in school now met brothers from a great many of our sister Chapters, and we can all say that each and every one is all that we can hope a Sigma Phi Epsilon to be.

During this era of reconstruction Minnesota Alpha extends her personal encouragement to all of the sister Chapters.

IOWA BETA**IOWA STATE COLLEGE****T. B. Virden**

There is an exceptionally bright outlook for our Chapter at the present writing. Upon the discontinuation of the S. A. T. C. we moved back into our house. It was in a very delapidated condition, but after giving it a thorough cleaning and three applications of paint, we again have it in presentable condition.

The new year brought back several old members to college. In all we have twenty-seven men at present, with the expectations of a few more to return next quarter.

We are honored by having three brothers from Iowa Alpha with us this year. H. O. Hayes and H. B. Eckey, who were here last quarter, remained with us, while E. B. Carson joined us at the beginning of this quarter.

The college in general is fast returning to its normal basis. Athletics are slow, however, and consequently our men have not had the opportunity to get out and advertise Sigma Phi Epsilon material.

Since the last issue of the Journal we have initiated three men, whom we wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 24, 1919:

Dewey Lee Chesnut, '19, E. E., Ames, Ia.

Leo Dwight Frederickson, '20, A. H., Thurman, Ia.

Selmer X. Johnson, '20, E. E., Fort Dodge, Ia.

The social "whirl" seems to have retained its popularity. We gave an informal dance at our Chapter house on February 1st. It proved to be a success and gave us great encouragement for other dances we expect to have in the near future. We would be glad to entertain any visiting brothers at them.

None of our Chapter brothers from overseas service have called to see us as yet. We understand, though, that some of them are again in this country. Word was received here from J. E. Fitzgerald, who is with an ambulance corps of the A. E. F., that he has been presented with the Italian War Cross.

We have R. L. Laybourn, '17, and C. C. Culbertson, '18, back with us this year. The former has accepted a position as in-

structor in bacteriology and the latter teaches in the A. H. department.

It was a very pleasant surprise to us all when H. W. Thompson returned from South America to resume his studies here. He left at the end of his second year for the tropics and has spent two eventful years on the sister continent, in the livestock business. "Tommy" states that there are wonderful opportunities in that country for a young man, but he believes that the old U. S. A. is good enough for him.

Pledging is a thing of the past now for this year. We have nine first-class pledges in our midst, who are becoming accustomed to their usual house duties.

In conclusion, Iowa Beta extends a most cordial invitation to visiting brothers and sends her best regards to all sister Chapters.

IOWA GAMMA

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Frank L. Kostlan

Fraternity life and activities have once more become quite normal at Iowa Gamma. The Chapter house is furnishing a home for twenty-five of our thirty men, and the old fraternal spirit has returned. Our officers are back, as well as a number of older men. E. W. Wells and O. H. Mendenhall are with us again after an absence of some duration.

We are well represented in the various activities of the school. R. J. Parrott made the wrestling team. In the recent indoor track tryouts D. R. Young, Jr., L. McK. Hays and A. F. Rosenbaugh made places on the 'Varsity track team.

L. McK. Hays and A. F. Rosenbaugh are singing in the Glee Club. E. W. Wells and D. R. Young are debating on Literary Society championship teams. Two of our Freshmen made Freshmen debating teams. We are represented in the Forensic League, Students' Council, the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, and other interests. Socially, too, we have been doing our part.

The Chapter has recently enjoyed visits from F. Marasco, Cecil Sward, R. Scott and William Owen. The last good news from Brother Owen is that he has taken unto himself a wife.

At this writing we introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated January 20, 1919:

Fred W. Russell, '21, Mediapolis, Iowa.

At the Convocation a few days ago C. E. Ewen received the B. E. degree.

On the 6th and 7th of February, District Seven of Sigma Phi Epsilon held a conference at Iowa City. Brother W. L. Phillips, our Grand Secretary, was here to guide the conference and to help work out the various Fraternity problems. This "get-together" proved beneficial to all Chapters taking part. The two days were wound up by having a Sigma Phi Epsilon dance. Not all Chapters of District Seven were represented, but those present were: W. H. Beck, of Kansas Alpha; G. H. Gardner, of Nebraska Alpha; J. P. Davies, of Missouri Alpha; G. N. Van Scoy and H. W. Thompson, of Iowa Beta, and V. B. Neiswanger, W. I. Carper and F. J. Snider, of Iowa Alpha.

Iowa Gamma extends her wishes to all sister Chapters.

MONTANA ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Eugene Harpole

The outlook for Fraternities was rather gloomy at the opening of the University last fall, but things are changing rapidly and Montana is very much on the map.

Five Sophomores and one Junior have returned and are all in the house. We have ten pledges to our credit, and of course we think them the best on the campus.

Charles Spiller, '21, is our leader, and he has been chosen president of the Sophomore class, thereby becoming a member of the Students' Council. Howard Black has returned to resume his work as a Junior in the Law School. He has been at Camp Warden, in the Fortieth Company Coast Artillery. "Al" Lester has registered again as a student, following his discharge from the navy.

Eugene McLaughlin, State Advisor of the Fraternity, has recently paid us a visit. "Mac" reports a prosperous condition of the Fraternities at Washington State College. L. A. Brackett, Washington Alpha, was with Brother McLaughlin.

On February 2nd Montana Alpha observed its first anniversary with an informal dinner at the Hotel Florence.

We wish to introduce:

Initiated February 23, 1919:

Martin Carlson, Forestry, ex-'19, Missoula, Mont.

Charles Henry Morrow, Business, '21, Ryegate, Mont.

Alonzo Albert Peters, Com., '22, Fresno, Mont.

Initiated March 3, 1919:

Dan Edward Callahan, Commercial, '22, Missoula, Mont.

Brother Carlson was a founder of Alpha Gamma Phi and has just returned from seventeen months' overseas service with the Tenth Engineers.

Interfraternity basketball is now taking some of our attention, and we have ten or twelve men out for practice every day.

We wish every Chapter as much success as has attended the beginning of our second year.

OREGON ALPHA

OREGON AGRI. COLLEGE

Marshall Green

Oregon Alpha is back in the house once more, after having suspended activities during the period the S. A. T. C. was on the campus, as all men were required to live in the barracks.

The college took over all the Fraternity houses, together with all the supplies. The houses were all occupied by women students. Soon after the signing of the armistice the college released the houses.

Thirteen of last year's men have returned and twelve new men have been pledged. The old men are striving to instill real Sigma Phi Epsilon spirit into the new ones, and get all working together for the betterment of the house.

At a recent Chapter meeting, it was decided that we give a banquet. The date has been set for March 8th, and preparations are under way for an elaborate affair.

The house is very prominent in campus activities this year. G. V. Robinson is ranking cadet officer—lieutenant-colonel, vice-president of the Student Assembly, and president of the Engineering Fraternity, Sigma Tau. Although it is not customary for a Junior to edit the student body paper, A. W. McComb has been elected to that position, and in addition is manager of the Lyceum. A. M. Manning has been elected president of the Associated Managers, an organization recently incorporated for the purpose of securing efficiency in co-operative buying. W. F. Lathrop and E. N. Green are on the staff of the year book, *The Beaver*. Lathrop is also yell leader of the Junior class. D. R. Marr, R. E. Shannahan and Lawrence C. Lockley have been elected to the Glee Club. Kenneth Cook and A. W. McComb are members of the Mask and Dagger, the college dramatic society.

We have been well represented in the commissioned rank of the United States Army. There are fourteen commissioned officers out of the forty Alumni and undergraduates who represented us in the service of Uncle Sam.

The house was honored by a visit from Milo McIvors, of Washington Alpha, on January 31st. Brother McIvors was here with the Washington State College basketball team.

A. M. Manning has the deepest sympathy of the house in the loss of his stepfather, Mr. C. R. Richards, on January 29th.

We have played three games in the Interfraternity basketball series. So far we have come out with the small end of the score, but we are expecting revenge in the remaining games.

We take pleasure in introducing the following new members:

Initiated May 24, 1918:

Hiram Meyrick Currey, Alumnus, Ontario, Oregon.
Jack M. Eakins, '18, Horticulture, South Pasadena, Cal.
George Max Alexander, '19, Agriculture, Salem, Oregon.
Ellsworth Nelson Green, '20, Mining, Pasadena, Cal.
Byron Marshall Green, '20, Mining, Pasadena, Cal.
Osmond Johann Hauge, '21, Agriculture, Woodburn, Oregon.
Harold Everett Sherfy, '21, Agriculture, Lebanon, Oregon.

The house feels a distinct loss in the death of Milton A. Kooreman, of tropical dysentery, on December 4, 1918. Brother Kooreman was president-elect of the house for this year.

We wish the best of success to our sister Chapters.

KANSAS BETA**KANSAS STATE AGRI. COLLEGE****C. F. Laude**

With the beginning of the second semester of the school year, the prospects for Kansas Beta were never brighter. C. O. Roda and R. C. Nichols were discharged from the service and are now with us. Only three brothers, B. B. Brookover, C. W. Howe and R. W. Stice, found it impossible to remain in school for the remainder of the year. We had hardly expected to lose so few.

We were very much pleased to learn that the Scholarship Cup offered by the Men's Pan-Hellenic was awarded to our Chapter for the second semester of last year. This cup becomes the property of the Fraternity holding it for three semesters. The scholarship report for the fall semester of this year has not yet been completed.

Our prospects are good for winning the Interfraternity basketball series now being played, for which a cup is also offered. We have won all three of the games we have played and have only two more games before us.

Our first anniversary banquet was held at the Chapter house on Saturday evening, February 22nd. Several of the Alumni brothers were with us at that time. On the evening preceding this, thirteen pledges were initiated, making twenty-seven active brothers. We have now only one pledge.

We have three men on the basketball team who have a possibility of winning their letter, two of whom are playing regularly. M. S. Winter won his "K" in football while a Freshman playing on the S. A. T. C. team last fall, became eligible for the 'Varsity at the beginning of this semester. K. H. Kecher and H. L. Bunger are playing regularly on the team. Brother Bunger is leading in points on the 'Varsity team.

We have arranged for a dance at Elks' Hall, in this city, on March 8th. W. C. Janssen and Robert Piatt, who have been working out the details, promise something worth while.

The college class elections of officers for this semester resulted in the election of Seibert Fairman as treasurer of the Senior class. Our Freshmen are also coming to the front, M. H. Salisbury being elected vice-president and E. H. Raymond treasurer of the Freshman class.

Another of our Freshmen, Phil Piatt, has won the distinction of placing first in the State Boys' Stock Judging Contest at Emporia for the last three years, and this year was permanently awarded a silver cup.

We wish to introduce the following:
Initiated February 22, 1919:

Seibert Fairman, '19, Manhattan Kan.
Kurt H. Kecher, '20, Lorraine, Kan.
Earl G. Abbott, '21, Garden City, Kan.
Claude Owen, '21, Eureka, Kan.
Ross Stice, '21, Alta Vista, Kan.
Claude Beckett, '22, Eldorado, Kan.
Jack Hill, '22, Lecompton, Kan.
Carl McCaslin, '22, Eureka, Kan.
Phil D. Piatt, '22, Hamilton, Kan.
Arthur Williamson, '22, Manhattan, Kan.
Morse Salisbury, '22, Eldorado, Kan.
Earle Raymond, '22, Towanda, Kan.
Maurice Sears, '22, Eureka, Kan.

Initiated February 24, 1919:

George Murray Arnold, '16, Piedmont, Kan.

Brother Arnold was one of our charter members, but had not had an opportunity to appear for initiation before.

With the Alumni

NEW YORK ALUMNI

On March 21st the New York Alumni had its first get-together in over a year.

Ralph Brown, New York Alpha.
O. G. Miller, New York Beta.
Henry C. Fry, New York Beta.
E. W. Alangdon, Iowa Beta.
C. E. Wheeler, Massachusetts Alpha.
H. B. Smith, Vermont Alpha.
Charles E. Baker, Ohio Alpha.
Walter Paul, Washington (D. C.) Alpha.
William H. Mayer, New York Beta.
O. G. Reumann, New York Alpha.
Richard A. Geis, New York Beta.

The boys are all enthusiastic over the reanimation of the New York Alumni Chapter, and we are attempting to complete a strong foundation for a successful year. A number of the available men are still in the service, and we take this opportunity of appealing to all the active Chapters to send the names and addresses of any of the brothers from the respective Chapters in the vicinity of New York City.

Brother Brown came out of the "big disturbance" with two souvenirs—one German automatic pistol and the other a German machine gun bullet, that the doctor took out of his back. We are glad to say, however, that he has entirely recovered from his wounds.

Look us up when in New York and send to Richard A. Geis, 359 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, the names and addresses of all your New York Alumni.

"Dave" Caldwell, New York Beta, wins great race in Madison Square Garden.

CALDWELL'S FINAL SPURT WINS RACE

Boston Runner Breaks the Tape Inches Ahead of Campbell in Classic Millrose 600—Finish Is Most Thrilling—Ted Meredith Is Third, Simpson, Ray, and Murchison Among Victors in Meet—Great Garden Area Is Thronged.

Dave Caldwell, Boston's thick-set, deep-chested runner, raced his way to the front in the heart-breaking finish of the "Millrose 600" at the Millrose A. A. games before a huge crowd at Madison Square Garden last night. In the last twenty yards Caldwell, with a great outburst of reserve speed, shot ahead of stout-hearted Captain Ted Meredith and Tommy Campbell, the phenomenal Chicago Freshman, and won the gruelling race by one last desperate plunge into the tape.

The Bostonian's margin of victory in time was less than the wink of an eye. The time, 1:16 3/5, was not especially fast, but the event was as thrilling a footrace as the oldest of the old-timers had ever seen. Caldwell won the event in 1916.

Lined up at the start were Captain Ted Meredith, just back from flying in Flanders; Tommy Campbell, the Chicago collegian; Homer Baker, Con Shaughnessy and Caldwell. Shaughnessy made two false starts and was set back two yards. When the runners had gone but a few yards Baker stumbled and fell and retired from the race.

For the first lap Meredith went to the front, with Campbell at his heels and Caldwell third. Turning the track the second time Campbell sprinted ahead of Meredith. Ted stuck to the Freshman's heels and then followed a bitter duel of speed between Meredith and Campbell.

While these two were trying to run each other into the ground, Caldwell was content to stay a few yards back and let them fight it out. Campbell romped into the stretch ahead of Meredith, and looked like a sure winner.

Caldwell Dashes to Fore.

A thunderous roar filled the Garden as Caldwell came rushing from third place. On and on he came with a powerful, steady

stride. He was a perfect piece of running machinery as his final sprint carried him down the outside of the track. First he passed the tiring Meredith, and then, as the tape was within reach, the Bostonian in a final desperate effort flashed in front of Campbell as the crowd cheered madly.

The meet was perhaps the greatest the Millrose A. A. has ever held.

Grier Lloyd, '19, Pennsylvania Epsilon, has returned to active duty after recovering from a severe wound. He was cited for bravery by his Brigadier General.

G. C. Thomas, '19, Pennsylvania Epsilon, played football against W. O. Barkley, '17, Pennsylvania Epsilon, when the Twenty-eighth Division played the 103rd Regiment Engineers in France.

Edward L. Tucker, '19, Pennsylvania Epsilon, visited the Chapter recently while on a six-day leave. He is in transport service as a Radio operator.

William Owen, Iowa Gamma, who has recently returned from France, is teaching in the Technical School in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Harry Raymond, Iowa Gamma, is now located in Iowa City as secretary of the Commercial Club.

Frank Marasco, Iowa Gamma, is employed in the Art Department of a publishing company at Milwaukee, Wis.

Lieutenant Wilbur Adams, Colorado Alpha, has returned from the war and resumed his law studies at Boulder.

Allen Pheeps, Colorado Alpha, who was commissioned first lieutenant in the aviation branch of the Signal Corps, and who has been acting as adjutant, is now stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

Lester Weber, Colorado Alpha, who has been a member of Base Hospital No. 29, has returned to Denver from Tottenham, England, where he was when the armistice was signed.

Marion B. Smith, Colorado Beta, is with the Bayou Side Sugar Factory, Baldwin, La.

Walter E. Fisher, Colorado Alpha, is Recording Clerk of the Colorado Senate.

W. L. Prouty, Colorado Alpha, has gone to California to recuperate, having recently recovered from the "Flu."

Dr. William T. Carstarphen, '04, Pennsylvania Beta, professor at Wake Forest College, N. C., 1910-17, resigned to enter the army as captain in the Medical Corps. He trained at Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, then took command of Field Hospital 347, at Camp Pike, Arkansas. In January, 1918, he went overseas as Sanitary Inspector and was later ordered to Camp Williams, A. P. O., 702, as Sanitary Advisor.

Professor R. W. Husband, New Hampshire Alpha, is taking an active part in the organization of the League of Nations Association. He was representative from the Dartmouth local Chapter to attend the Congress in Boston, February 7th and 8th. Professor Husband has also been serving as secretary of the New Hampshire Committee on Public Safety and State War Historian, and although he is resuming his duties at Dartmouth in the Classical Department, he will continue to serve as New Hampshire State War Historian.

First Lieutenant Howard T. Ball, '13, New Hampshire Alpha, is at present adjutant of the Seventy-fourth Infantry at Camp Devens.

Sergeant F. S. Page, New Hampshire Alpha, instructor in Biology at Dartmouth before entering service, has returned to take up his duties at the college. He was located at Camp Hancock, Georgia, taking a course in the Officers' Machine Gun Training School.

C. E. Buffum, '13, New Hampshire Alpha, is secretary of the Cheshire County Dartmouth Alumni Association of New Hampshire. Address 57 Elm Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

W. H. Eastman, '10, New Hampshire Alpha, was re-elected secretary of the Dartmouth Alumni Association of Chicago at the annual banquet on February 7th.

Ralph E. Baker, '12, New Hampshire Alpha, is employed at a government plant for forging ship shafts and naval guns at Charleston, W. Va.

Mr. Russell C. Durgin, New Hampshire Alpha, and wife sailed from San Francisco on January 22nd, on the Shinyo Maru, for Japan, where Brother Durgin will engage in Y. M. C. A. work as a foreign secretary of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A.

W. T. Woleben, Illinois Alpha, ensign in U. S. N. R. F., is on board the United States steamship Batjan, cruising in southern waters.

Calvin A. Burton, Illinois Alpha, ex-'21, formerly at Paris Island with the marines, has been transferred to marine guard duty on the United States Steamship Arizona.

T. E. Lowry, Illinois Alpha, is with the State Highway Commission at Springfield.

O. E. Reed, Kansas Beta, is now the head of the Dairy Department at Purdue University.

C. S. Becker, Indiana Alpha, '13, senior member in the firm of Becker & Overman, brokers, Indianapolis, has just been discharged as a lieutenant, F. A., and has resumed his former business connection.

J. R. Cavanaugh, Indiana Alpha, '16, has been appointed government representative in the Bureau of Markets, and is stationed at Purdue University.

J. K. Bovard, Indiana Alpha, '08, has resigned his position as purchasing agent for Nordyke & Marmon Co., of Indianapolis.

H. S. Rice, Indiana Alpha, '16, is now teaching at the Vincennes (Ind.) High School.

L. V. Sheridan, Indiana Alpha, '09, has just returned from France, where he was lieutenant, F. A., engaged in anti-aircraft defense.

T. H. Henry, Indiana Alpha, '12, who has been employed as chief chemist of the Grasselli Chemical Works, has been transferred from the Gary plant to Walkerton, Ontario, Canada.

Captain Raymond R. Wible, Indiana Alpha, ex-'20, is with the army of occupation in Germany.

L. D. Atkins, Indiana Alpha, '18, who was lieutenant, M. T. C., has been discharged and is now associated with the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, at Pittsburg.

C. H. Newman, Indiana Alpha, '18, has been discharged from the army and is now connected with the Illinois State Highway Commission at Springfield.

Engagements, Marriages, Births

Engagements

F. G. Sefting and E. M. Rowand, both Pennsylvania Epsilons, have announced their engagements.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Stuart, of Shamokin, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to W. Scott Levey, Delaware Alpha, '19.

The engagement is announced of Fred J. Tapley, New York Beta, to Miss Mildred Emerson, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Muriel DuRette, Sigma Kappa, to Mr. Ivan J. Stewart, Oregon Alpha.

Marriages

Curlis Roberts, '16, Pennsylvania Epsilon, was married recently to Miss Louise Masters.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel P. Neisser announce the marriage of their daughter, Marion Elizabeth, to Lieutenant Leon B. Slayton, Delaware Alpha, '18, on Wednesday, February 5, 1919. About March 8th Lieutenant and Mrs. Slayton will sail for the Philippines, to which place Lieutenant Slayton has been assigned for duty.

Mr. and Mrs. James White announce the marriage of their daughter, Pearl Lida, to Mr. James Arthur Yungclas, '16, Iowa Beta, on Wednesday, February 5, 1919, Webster City, Iowa. Brother Yungclas was a charter member of Iowa Beta.

Mr. Burt Mapes announces the marriage of his daughter, Bernice, to Mr. Emory Delmont Alvord, Washington Alpha, on Tuesday, December 31, 1918, Seattle, Wash. Brother and Mrs. Alvord will make their home at Mt. Silinda, Melsetter District, South Rhodesia, Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Groeper announce the marriage of their daughter, Gertrude, to Mr. Claude Arthur Cool, Iowa Beta, on Tuesday, the 25th day of February, 1919, Minneapolis, Minn.

Word has been received of the marriage of Herschel M. Cummins, Oregon Alpha, to Miss Ruth Pettigrew, on December 17, 1918, in Seattle, Wash. Miss Pettigrew was a student at O. A. C. last year, and is well known by the members of the house. Brother Cummins, while in school, was very active in athletics, holding the Northwest championship in wrestling, at his weight. He was captain-elect of the wrestling team for this season. We wish them all success and happiness.

H. F. DePew, Indiana Alpha, '17, and Miss Marjorie Baxter, of Auburn, Ind., were married in January.

Births

R. C. Durgin, New Hampshire Alpha, announces a son, Lawrence Lazelle, born June 28, 1918.

Born on January 16, 1919, to Brother and Mrs. Charles L. Paine, Oregon Alpha, a seven-pound daughter, Phyllis Ozman.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George C. Taylor, Virginia Eta, a daughter, Cicily Ann, March 19, 1919.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Cady, Nebraska Alpha, a son, Norman Eugene Cady, March 30, 1919, at San Diego, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ivey, Georgia Alpha, announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Jean Ivey, March 19, 1919.

Resolutions

RESOLUTIONS FROM COLORADO ALPHA

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has removed from this life our well beloved brother,

Frederick H. Woolley

Whereas, His life and character were of the highest order; be it

Resolved (by Colorado Alpha of Sigma Phi Epsilon), That by his death the family and Sigma Phi Epsilon have lost a man whose moral worth and character can never be questioned; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to his family our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy spread upon the records of this Fraternity, and a copy printed in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

WILLIAM P. SHAW
WILBER W. ADAMS

Whereas, It has pleased God to call to Himself our brother,

John T. McFadden

Whereas, He was a well esteemed and a well remembered brother; be it

Resolved, That Colorado Alpha of Sigma Phi Epsilon expresses its deepest regret; and be it

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife in this the greatest sorrow of any; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be printed in the Journal of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

WILLIAM P. SHAW,
WILBER W. ADAMS,

RESOLUTIONS FROM DELAWARE ALPHA

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call to his reward in that better world, our dearly beloved brother,

Samuel Taylor Lambert

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by all members of Delaware Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, and because of his loyal and sincere devotion to his Fraternity and to his brothers; and

Whereas, He answered the call of duty, and sacrificed all for the love of his country; be it

Resolved (by Delaware Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon), That in his death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a brave, worthy, sincere and loyal brother; and be it further

Resolved, That his record as a true brother, his conduct while among us, and his patriotic and heroic death will live on as an inspiration in the annals and traditions of this Chapter forever; and

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved parents our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in this sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his parents, and a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal.

ROBERT P. BARKLEY,
LOUIS R. PLAM,
WALTER R. RITZ.

RESOLUTIONS FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA

Whereas, It has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom, to take from us our beloved brother,

Charles Enos Tayntor

of the class of 1919, of Dartmouth College; and

Whereas, We wish to express our deep sorrow at the loss of our respected brother; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That in his death we, the New Hampshire Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, have lost a faithful and earnest member; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late brother, that they be published in the Dartmouth, and that they be placed upon the permanent records of the Fraternity.

K. C. BEVAN.

Whereas, It has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom, to take from us our beloved brother,

Allan Scott Norton

of the class of 1915, of Dartmouth College; and

Whereas, We wish to express our deep sorrow at the loss of our respected brother; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That in his death we, the New Hampshire Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, have lost a faithful and earnest member; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late brother, that they be published in the Dartmouth, and that they be placed upon the permanent records of the Fraternity.

K. C. BEVAN.

Whereas, It has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom, to take from us our beloved brother,

Frank Holmes Cushman

of the class of 1913, of Dartmouth College; and

Whereas, We wish to express our deep sorrow at the loss of our respected brother; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That in his death we, the New Hampshire Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, have lost a faithful and earnest member; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late brother, that they be published in the Dartmouth, and that they be placed upon the permanent records of the Fraternity.

K. C. BEVAN.

RESOLUTIONS FROM KANSAS ALPHA

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to take from this life our dearly beloved brother,

Lionel A. Anderson, and

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by his fellow members of Kansas Alpha Chapter, and was ever a noble, true and worthy member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity; and

Whereas, He answered the call of duty and sacrificed all for the love of his country; be it

Resolved, That we, the Kansas Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, extend to the family of our deceased brother sincere and heartfelt sympathy in our mutual loss, and we cherish his memory as a brother, faithful, loyal, brave and true; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother, that a copy be spread upon the records of the Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

W. SIDNEY TREBILCOCK,
HAROLD G. MANORGAN.

RESOLUTIONS FROM NEBRASKA ALPHA

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to take from us our dearly beloved brother,

Guy Leo Wigand, and

Whereas, He was most highly esteemed by all his brothers; and

Whereas, He was ever a true, loyal and noble Sigma Phi Epsilon, who gave his life in the service of afflicted mankind; be it

Resolved (by Nebraska Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon), That we have lost one of the worthiest and truest of brothers; and be it also

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our most heartfelt sympathy in this, the greatest sorrow of any; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy spread upon the records of this Chapter, and that a copy be printed in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

JOHN C. PICKETT,
PAYSON D. MARSHALL,
HOWARD H. BENNETT.

Brother Wigand graduated from the University College of Medicine in 1918, with Alpha Omega Alpha honors.

He was born at Crofton, Neb., August 4, 1893, and initiated into Sigma Phi Epsilon in the fall of 1913. He succumbed to pneumonia October 11, 1918, after a seizure of the dreaded influenza. At the time of his death he was house physician in the University Hospital at Omaha.

"The best man ever graduated from the University College of Medicine."—Dean Cutter.

Whereas, Almighty God has seen fit to call to his reward our dearly beloved brother,

William Paul Dresher

Whereas, Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a loyal, sincere and worthy brother, whose life was one of duty and sacrifice; and be it

Resolved (by Nebraska Alpha of Sigma Phi Epsilon), That his loving, generous nature and his devotion to duty shall ever linger in our memories as an inspiration in the traditions of this Chapter; and be it

Resolved, That we extend to his parents our deepest and most sincere sympathy in their sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy spread on the minutes of this Chapter, and a copy published in the Fraternity Journal.

ALFORD L. ISHAM,
RICHARD O. JOHNSON,
HOWARD H. BENNETT.

RESOLUTIONS FROM WASHINGTON ALPHA

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call to their reward in that world, our dearly beloved brothers,

**Captain Lee C. Lewis,
Lieutenant Henry M. Turner and
Theodore R. Norvell**

Whereas, They were so highly esteemed by all members of Washington Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, and because of their loyal and sincere devotion to their Fraternity, and to their brothers; and

Whereas, Their life has been worthy examples to all who know them; and

Whereas, They answered the call of duty, and sacrificed all for the love of their country; be it

Resolved (by Washington Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon), That in their death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost three brave, worthy, sincere and loyal brothers; and be it further

Resolved, That their records as true brothers, their conduct while among us, and their patriotic and heroic death will live on as an inspiration in the annals and traditions of this Chapter forever; and

Resolved, That we extend to their bereaved parents our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in their sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to their parents, and a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal.

**EUGENE M. McLAUGHLIN,
A. T. FLEMING,
CLEMENT A. PHILLIPS.**

Brother Lewis was killed in action in the latter part of July, 1918.

Brother Turner was killed in an aeroplane engagement in November, 1918.

Brother Norvell died of pneumonia following the influenza. He was a member of the S. A. T. C. unit at Washington State.

RESOLUTIONS FROM MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA

Whereas, It has so pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, to remove from this life, through the accident of war, our beloved brother,

Charles Raymond Wilber

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by the members of Massachusetts Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity; and

Whereas, He gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That Massachusetts Alpha has lost by his death a worthy and brave brother in Sigma Phi Epsilon; and be it also

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be published in the Journal, and a copy be spread upon the records of the Chapter.

CHARLES G. MATTOON,
ARTHUR L. CHANDLER.

Whereas, It has so pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, to removed from this life our beloved brother,

Arthur Victor Petit

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by the members of Massachusetts Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity; and

Whereas, He gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That Massachusetts Alpha has lost in his death a worthy and brave brother in Sigma Phi Epsilon; and be it also

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal, and a copy be spread upon the records of the Chapter.

CHARLES G. MATTOON,
ARTHUR L. CHANDLER.

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, to remove from this life our beloved brother,

Warren Sydney Hathaway

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by the members of Massachusetts Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity; and

Whereas, He gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That Massachusetts Alpha has lost in his death a worthy pledge and a true friend; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy; and be it also

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal, and a copy be spread upon the records of the Chapter.

CHARLES G. MATTOON,
ARTHUR L. CHANDLER.

RESOLUTIONS FROM NEW YORK BETA

Whereas, It has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom, to remove from this life our beloved brother,

Ward Nicholas Hoffman

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by the members of New York Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity; and

Whereas, He gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That New York Beta has lost in his death a worthy and brave member in Sigma Phi Epsilon; and be it also

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal, and a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter.

THOMAS G. WEILEFF,
JOHN L. TAYLOR.

RESOLUTIONS FROM IOWA ALPHA

Whereas, It has pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, to take from this world our dearly beloved brother,

Wallace Burwell Carpenter

Whereas, Our Fraternity and Iowa Alpha has lost a brother who gave his life while in answer to the call of his country; be it

Resolved, That Iowa Alpha tenders to his sorrowing family our sincerest sympathy in this, our mutual grief; and be it further

Resolved, That we shall always cherish the memory of our friend and brother; and be it also

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in our Fraternity Journal.

M. McCABE DAY.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has seen fit in His divine knowledge to summon from the association of this world our dearly beloved brother,

Hugh Stanley Newell

Whereas, Iowa Alpha has lost a loyal charter member and the Fraternity a true brother; and

Whereas, He died while in the service of his country; be it

Resolved, That our Chapter extends to his wife and family our deepest sympathy in this, our common sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That we shall always be mindful of his service for our Chapter in its early struggle for existence; and be it also

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his wife and family, a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

M. McCABE DAY.

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from this life our dearly beloved brother,

John Harold Kemble

Whereas, Our Fraternity has lost a true, noble and Christian brother and this Chapter a loyal Alumnus; and

Whereas, He met his death as a lieutenant in the service of his country, leading his men in the cause of humanity; be it

Resolved, That Iowa Alpha has lost a worthy and brave brother, and we shall ever cherish his memory; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to his family the most heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement; and be it also

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in our Fraternity Journal.

M. McCABE DAY.

RESOLUTIONS FROM MISSOURI ALPHA

Whereas, It has been the will of God that our beloved friend and comrade,

David Francis Banks

be taken from our midst; and

Whereas, In his death the Missouri Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon has suffered irreparable loss; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, his brothers in fraternity, draw up these words in memorial, and by these presents attest the unswerving faithfulness and loyalty of our departed brother, not only to the cause of Sigma Phi Epsilon, but to every impelling interest and duty in life. In tendering our deepest sympathy to his family and those who loved him best, we would have them feel that the loss is not all theirs. In close association we had learned to know him and love him as one sincere and true to everything that counts. Brother Banks died while in service for his country and just as his life and effort now become a golden star in the service flag of a cause completed, so may his memory and name remain a living example and golden emblem in the heart of Sigma Phi Epsilon; furthermore, be it

Resolved, That a copy of this memorial be sent to his family, placed in the Fraternity records, and published in the Fraternity Journal.

E. LEE TIPTON,
JOHN C. BLACK.

RESOLUTIONS FROM WISCONSIN ALPHA

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to see fit to call to his reward our dearly beloved brother,

Eden John Baldwin

Whereas, $\Sigma \Phi E$ has lost a loyal and faithful brother, whose life was a worthy example to all; and

Whereas, He answered the call of duty and made the supreme sacrifice for humanity; be it

Resolved, That $\Sigma \Phi E$ has lost in his death a worthy and brave member; and be it also

Resolved, That Wisconsin Alpha extend her sympathy to the family of Brother Baldwin, assuring them that their sorrow is ours, and that we cherish with them his name.

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to see fit to call to his reward our dearly beloved brother,

Elmer William Witthuhn

Whereas, $\Sigma \Phi E$ has lost a loyal and faithful brother, whose life was a worthy example to all; and

Whereas, He answered the call of duty and made the supreme sacrifice for humanity; be it

Resolved, That $\Sigma \Phi E$ has lost in his death a worthy and brave member; and be it also

Resolved, That Wisconsin Alpha extend her sympathy to the family of Brother Witthuhn, assuring them that their sorrow is ours, and that we cherish with them his name.

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to take from us our dearly beloved brother,

William Oliver Busby, and

Whereas, Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a truly faithful brother; be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Wisconsin Alpha of $\Sigma \Phi E$ extend to the family of the deceased brother our sincere and heartfelt sympathy, assuring them that our sorrow is mutual, and that we will ever cherish his name as one who was a worthy member of $\Sigma \Phi E$; and be it also further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the $\Sigma \Phi E$.

RESOLUTIONS FROM IOWA BETA

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to take from us our dearly beloved brother,

Emeric Peterson

Whereas, He was most highly esteemed by all his brothers; and

Whereas, He gave his life in the service of his country; be it

Resolved (by Iowa Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon), That in his death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a worthy and loyal brother; and be it also

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved loved ones, in this, our mutual loss, and that we shall ever cherish his memory as a brother who was most faithful, loyal, brave and true; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal.

**M. G. VANSKOY,
T. B. VIRDEN.**

RESOLUTIONS FROM OREGON ALPHA

Whereas, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to call to his reward in that better world our dearly beloved brother,

Milton A. Kooreman

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by all members of the Oregon Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, and because of his loyal and sincere devotion to his Fraternity, and to his brothers; and

Whereas, His life has been a worthy example to all who knew him; be it

Resolved (by Oregon Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon), That in his death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a worthy, sincere and loyal brother; and be it further

Resolved, That his record as a true brother, his conduct while among us, and his heroic death, will live on as an inspiration in the annals and traditions of this Chapter forever; and

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved parents our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in this sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his parents, and a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

**MARSHALL B. GREEN,
ALLAN W. McCOMB.**

Pro Pratria

John McFadden, Colorado Alpha, died at Bisbee, Ari., November 9, 1918.

Lieutenant Henry Q. Griffin, New York Alpha, whose home was at Dorchester, Mass., was killed in action in France July 17, 1918.

While attending the Student Army Training Camp at the Presidio last summer, Milton A. Kooreman was taken ill with tropical dysentery, and was sent home in September, since which time he made a hard but losing fight for life. He died December 4, 1918.

Brother Kooreman was popular in Salem, Oregon, and at the Oregon Agricultural College, where he was president of the College Y. M. C. A., president of the Salem Club, Historian for the house in 1917-18, and house president-elect for this year. He was born in Alton, Iowa, on September 1, 1894, and was graduated from the Salem High School in 1915. He had attended C. A. C. three years.

Sergeant Allen Scott Norton, '15, New Hampshire Alpha, of the Ambulance Service of the Army Medical Corps, died in France of accident on October 23, 1918. No details of his death have as yet been received. Sergeant Norton enlisted in the Medical Corps in the spring of 1917, and with many other Dartmouth men received his training at Allentown, Pa. In December of last year he went overseas and was attached to S. S. U. 562. He served with this section until April, when he was transferred and at the time of his death was stationed in the Vosges section in charge of a group of fifty-five ambulance drivers.

Private (first class) Charles Enos Tayntor, '19, New Hampshire Alpha, died in France on October 3rd of double pneumonia, following an attack of la grippe. Private Tayntor was a member of the Medical Corps, Base Hospital Unit 83, A. E. F. He was called into the service June 24, 1918, and went first to Camp Upton, L. I., then to Camp Greenleaf, Ga., and finally to Camp Pike, Arkansas. He sailed for France on September 1st, and as he landed first in England, he could have been in France but a few days before his death.

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VIRGINIA ALPHA



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 Top Row—E. C. Glass, F. L. Miles, L. C. Padden, P. E. Parker, H. S. Boreman.



ILLINOIS ALPHA

Top Row—Pollard, Strubinger, Condit, Miller, Murray, Henkes.

Middle Row—Loomis, Bortlett, Johnson, Corson, Springer.

Bottom Row—Gehlbach, Anderson, Gottschalk, Lundberg, Carter, Martino.



COLORADO ALPHA



VIRGINIA DELTA

Top Row, Left to Right—H. H. Allen, V. J. Love, A. L. Lassiter, H. L. Bridges, Jr., L. W. Simmons, A. P. Elliott, R. J. Parrish.
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Top Row—G. A. Mast, R. M. Graeter, H. H. Snoke, T. B. McMath, H. W. Haskett, R. A. Schak
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 H. H. Hawisher, J. R. Michel, E. S. Miller, J. R. Fish, G. V. Pollister, B. H. Jeup,
 Second Row—E. J. Kendall, H. F. Hedderich, W. A. Butner, W. F. Niemeyer, B. H. Jeup,
 M. Q. Dabbettell, G. A. Griner, G. G. Slater.
 Bottom Row—A. J. Gruenert, E. E. Hummer, J. H. Weghorst, Prof. B. N. Prentice, Hon. J. B.
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VIRGINIA ZETA



DELAWARE ALPHA

Left to Right, Top Row—Gilbert Chambers, T. C. Alexander, Joseph Wise, Thomas Attix,
 Scott Levey, Robert Foulk.
 Second Row from Top—Howard Harper, Bayard Carter, James Harty, E. Geo. Tonklin,
 Willard Humphrey, John Pierson.
 Second Row from Bottom—Joseph Fairbanks, William Broughall, William Frederick, Draper
 Smith, W. Wilson, Lattomus, Walter Ritz, Willard Moore.
 Bottom Row—Louis R. Plam, Arthur Spald, Robert Stewart, Gray Carter, Hugh McCaughan, Jr.,
 Paul Kite, Willard Triggs, David Almond, Jr.



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ARKANSAS ALPHA



VERMONT ALPHA

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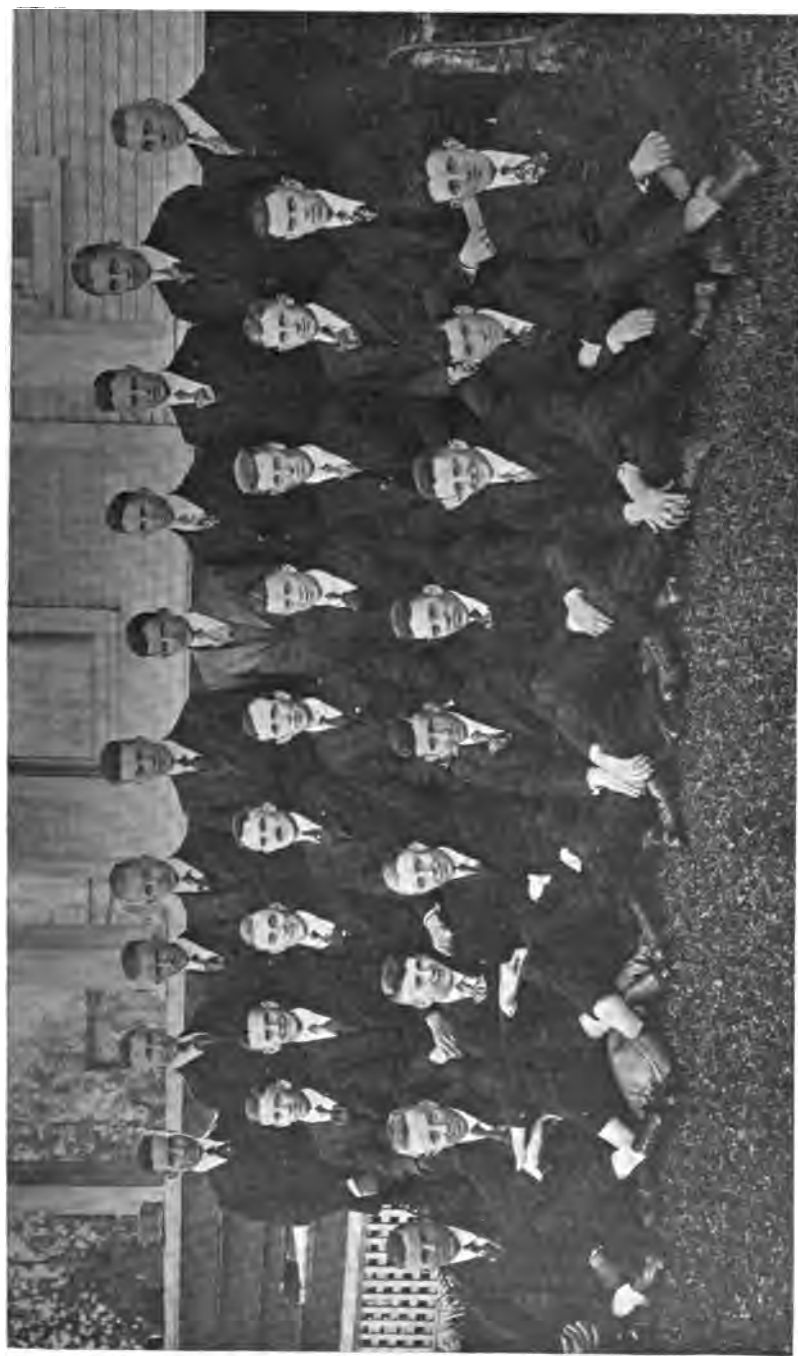
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KANSAS ALPHA



NEBRASKA ALPHA



WASHINGTON ALPHA



MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA



MICHIGAN ALPHA

Top Row, Left to Right—James White, Glenn Cummings, George Naylor, Frank Hacket, William Cox, Cecil Naylor, Reinhold Boes, Next to Top Row, Left to Right—William Boehm, Irwin Sanborn, Ben Darling, Willis Hayes, William Westcott, Donald Lester, Next to Bottom Row, Left to Right—Clarence Rothrock, Leonard G. de Spelder, Edson Hardy, Phillip Emery, J. Don O'Conner, Henry Rennell, Stewart Hueston, Irving Ellison.

Bottom Row, Left to Right—Clinton Longwill, James Croushore, Thomas Miller, Benjamin Hamner.



IOWA ALPHA
Top Row—Day, Bloomquist, Cresap, Toothacre, DeWitt.
Middle Row—Carpes, Connor, Moats, Feldman, Snair, Gardner.
Bottom Row—Neiswanger, Matthews, Snider, Hagle, Yocum.

While speaking of dancing it might be said that Brothers Wyckoff, Hawisher and Miller have become so proficient at that art that the Fleus-de-lis Dancing Society has invited them to become members of that society.

On April the fifth, Mr. Leo Carl McNamara, of Indianapolis, Indiana, was initiated into the Fraternity as an honorary member. He is an architect of Indianapolis and has aided our Alumni association in projects for the betterment of the active Chapter.

We have elected our house officers for next year. J. M. Kirkpatrick was selected as president, and H. S. Griner, vice-president. These officers will be installed on April 28th.

Indiana Alpha has lately had the pleasure of entertaining the following brothers:

M. B. Frazee, ex-'13, First Lieutenant, General Staff, A. E. F., who has just returned from France.

O. K. Ziegler, ex-'17, Sergeant Artillery, just returned from France. He intends to return to the University in the fall as a Senior in the School of Agriculture.

Ensign M. H. Evans, Great Lakes, Ill.

P. S. Lowe, '17; E. H. Rights, '17, and R. F. Sproat, '17.

In closing, Indiana Alpha wishes that all of her sister Chapters may have the success that she has enjoyed.

VIRGINIA ZETA

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE

R. E. Garland

The Panhellenic dance given June 9th concluded the activities of Virginia Zeta for the year 1918-19. We were glad to have a number of visitors with us that night.

Virginia Zeta has passed a very successful year and has bright prospects for next, although several of this year's number will not be back in the fall. William H. Connelly and H. Barnes graduate, and Earl H. Brown and Joseph H. Harper expect to pursue their studies elsewhere. M. F. Parker and Charles B. Hurtt, who were with us for a short time last fall, expect to return next session.

We wish a pleasant summer for all our brothers and trust that every sister Chapter will make a good start next fall.

GEORGIA ALPHA**GA. SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY****W. L. Markert**

Georgia Alpha wishes to extend her good wishes to all sister Chapters. This has been an unusual year for all college life and we feel very proud of the way in which $\Sigma \Phi E$ has met all difficulties. At present we have one of the very best Chapters we have ever had and our prospects are unusually bright for the rest of the year. Baseball is in full swing now and we have "Frank" Asbury as the crack pitcher of the team and he is going strong with a chance to be the best in the South. "Charley" Turner, third baseman, is captain of the team, and has done wonderful work in leading his team to victory. Then we have Freshman "Rube" Fielding, who is making good on first sack in his first college year and is sure to make his letter. Panhellenic baseball begins very soon and we have a good chance to win the trophy offered, for Georgia Alpha and $\Sigma \Phi E$ are working hard every day toward this end. We finished well in basketball.

Among the various clubs and student activities at Tech, we feel sure that we have done our share and more. In the Koserne (Junior Society) we have "Charley" Turner, "Jake" Mason and "Frank" Asbury, while in the Skull and Key we have "Bevo" Yorke and "Rube" Fielding. Our Bull Dog representative is Charley Turner, who is also a member of the Cottillion Club, as are also Mason and Yorke.

Georgia Alpha came to the front in March when she gave one of the best dances ever given at Tech, and it was indeed a success. Then on April the first we celebrated the founding of our Chapter by a banquet at the Ansley Hotel. This banquet was a real $\Sigma \Phi E$ affair and made us all proud that we were among those present. E. D. Ivey, grand vice-president, was present and gave a fine talk.

At present we are looking forward with much interest to the close of college which is on June the nineteenth. We are expecting to get some good men lined up during the vacation and begin the year with lots of pep next fall.

In closing, we wish all sister Chapters the best of vacations and commencements.



MINNESOTA ALPHA

**Top Row—Left to Right—Nelson, Gulkerson, March
Middle Row, Left to Right—Dixon, Stillwell, Netz, Anderberg.
Bottom Row, Left to Right—Moore, Spellacy, Fankow.**



IOWA BETA

Top Row, Left to Right—H. B. Eckey, G. R. Van Sickle, H. D. Hunter, T. B. Virden (Mathews Pledge), J. T. Rempp, V. V. Malcom.
 Second Row from Top—J. W. Carson, B. L. Allen, M. G. Van Scoy, W. B. Hayes, A. H. Stafford, H. C. Coy.
 Second Row from Bottom—J. P. Grady, H. W. Thompson, S. Johnson, D. L. Chestnut, W. T. Zeigenhain, F. G. Swanson, L. D. Frederickson.
 Bottom Row—M. J. Hanlin, L. R. Corliss, H. V. Davel (Long, Pledge), F. A. Bock, R. L. Laybourn, H. A. Riedesel.



IOWA GAMMA

Top Row, Left to Right—Kost'ian, Shore, Carlson, Von Hoene, Sward, Bridges., Johnson.
 Middle Row—Parrot, Ewen, Holdoegel, Nichols, Bozarth, Alexander, Friedlander, Rosenbaugh.
 Bottom Row—Hays, Kenworthy, Burns, Gardner, Young, Sweazy, Russel, Sandy.



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Clyde Vinson was nominated by the Department of Commerce of the University for a scholarship in the National City Bank of New York. If his nomination is confirmed by the Bank, he will go to New York this summer to study banking.

J. W. Day, of Missouri Alpha, called on the Chapter a few weeks ago. We were glad to have him come around to see us. He has got the pep. We wish that others would show his sort of pep, and let us have the chance to give them the magic grip.

Paul Childress, an alumnus, also surprised us with a visit. Brother Childress was with the Engineers in France for nine months and several times was under fire. He is now employed as a chemical engineer with a firm in San Antonio, Texas.

Sid Benton, another alumnus, who is still in the Army stationed at Camp Pike, is pitching for the Camp Pike baseball team, which is scheduled for a series of games with the "Razor-back" nine, beginning May 20th. We are all rejoicing at the prospect of having old Sid spend a few days with us.

The prospect for a great year for 1919-20 is unusually favorable. It is the avowed purpose of all the present members to return next year, as we do not lose any by graduation this time. Several old members have notified us of their intention of matriculating next fall. These facts, coupled with the certainty of normal conditions, betoken great things for Arkansas Alpha next year.

Best wishes to all brothers for a happy vacation.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

Sylvester M. Larkin

Fraternity conditions at Lehigh are again becoming normal with our Chapter. Our active Chapter at present consists of eighteen brothers. Since our last letter we have initiated:

Initiated April 13, 1919:

James Coalter Crawford, Jr., '22, E. M., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.



KANSAS BETA

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By the Grand Secretary

If your fraternity means anything to you, the time has now come for you to express it. At the Conclave there will be present many of those who risked everything on the battle-fields of Europe. To hear how they accomplished this, we should put in a large attendance, for not only will it act as a tribute to heroism, but a memorial to those who were left behind.

Furthermore, there will no doubt be observed many new phases of fraternity life and entirely new problems for us to solve. For this reason, the delegates should be thoroughly informed of their Chapter's view on all subjects, so that an intelligent conclusion may be reached on all matters brought up for discussion.

With the return of our men from the army, comes the question as to what sort of an organization shall greet them.

We are constantly receiving letters inquiring the names of local alumni secretaries. This goes to show that the returning men are eager to resume their old affiliations, and, considering the growth of our fraternity, there is no reason why this desire should not be gratified by Chapters located in several cities. These Chapters should also have a letter in every issue of the Journal, telling exactly how it can be reached, and just what the alumni of that city are doing.

Alumni get busy!

In changing the Jewelry Plan, our Executive Committee has decided upon a course that has met the approval of our official dealers, who are sparing no effort to make it a success. When we meet in October, the number of dealers will be reduced to three or four, and of this fact the Chapters should instruct their delegates.

Constant requests are being made for an official directory. The last issue was published in the spring of 1915, and is misleading by virtue of the fact that the Army claimed about seventy-five per cent. of our men. Now, however, the compilation of a new directory is made practicable. Therefore, Chapters should have their alumni files checked up at the opening of the college session, so that the directory may be completed during next session.

Plans for the 1921? Conclave will be considered when we meet in Indianapolis this fall. There seems to be a desire on the part of many to hold a Conclave farther west, and the Iowa Chapters have already offered a tentative bid toward this end. The farthest point we have been thus far is Chicago, (1908) so the western Chapters will have considerably more argument to advance in order to back their request for a western meeting.

ABOUT THAT WHISTLE.

By C. E. Allred, Tennessee Alpha.

I wish to call attention to an oversight, and to suggest a remedy for it. In my college-town there are eight chapters of as many fraternities; and near my home live several young women members of the college set. Neither a day nor an evening passes but I hear fraternity whistles and their answers, given by the girls and boys passing along the street. But not once have I heard the Sigma Phi Epsilon whistle.

I have been reminded of this fact, as well as asked if our fraternity did not possess a typical, or characteristic, whistle. I have answered with a demonstration, which generally causes

surprise, inasmuch as the inquirer had been informed that we had no whistle, showing how little instruction our members have had along this line. On a bet, I would venture that not 80 per cent. of our membership is aware that we even have a whistle.

Bear in mind, too, that this condition is confined not to any one particular chapter. I have come in contact with several and believe that every one of them could use the whistle more advantageously. Some use it more than others, but none of them enough.

While the Grand Chapter is somewhat to blame, the fault, I believe, lies chiefly among the chapters themselves. A few years ago (March, 1913), the whistle was published in the Journal. The older chapters should have then begun using it, if they had not already done so, and handed it down to the present time. The whistle, I feel, should be published in the next issue of the Journal, a special sheet of it being distributed broadcast among our members.

Let the Grand Chapter and the editor of the Journal co-operate in getting this matter before the chapters. The Grand Secretary might call attention to it when he visits the different chapters. It is a matter well worth consideration, for it contributes toward the development of the true fraternity spirit. Some have intimated that our whistle is too long. If this is so, then let us curtail it. Certainly the matter should be threshed out at the next Conclave.

But the final responsibility and greatest benefit rests with the active chapters. Since the chapter officers are usually older men, they should see to it that every new member becomes familiar with the whistle, and especially that he uses it. The notes may be procured from the Grand Secretary. Write him, so that you may have copies on hand by the fall opening of college.



In February we held a very successful dance at the Chapter house. A large number of the brothers present had just returned from the Army and it made the occasion take the form of a reunion.

With great pleasure we introduce the following:

Initiated March 15, 1919:

Clair Villiers Johnson, Eng., Washington, D. C.

Casper Lehman Cottrell, Arts, Reading, Pa.

Arthur Loyvall Lanigan, Eng., Washington, D. C.

Arthur Ira Gebhart, Eng., Washington, D. C.

On March 17th we held our annual installation banquet at the Hotel Lafayette. It was one of the most successful banquets we have ever held. With many brothers present who had just returned from overseas it made a real reunion and their war tales were an inspiration. William L. Phillips, our grand secretary, honored us with his presence. He was the principal speaker of the evening and his talk was very interesting and helpful to the Chapter.

We take pleasure in announcing at this time, the officers for the coming year: President, G. L. Bowen; vice-president, H. L. Strang; secretary, G. Reeves; treasurer, R. Harsh; historian, J. H. Lapish; guard, L. Whitiker.

Henry A. Lee and Richard A. Stunim, of California Alpha, were with us on March 15th, and we hope they will be with us again in the near future. Brother Liedig, of Michigan Alpha, has just left for New York, after being at the Chapter house for several weeks. Benjamin J. Eastman, of New Hampshire Alpha, and William G. Gridley, of New York Beta, are living in the house at the present time.

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Chapter Letters

VIRGINIA ALPHA

RICHMOND COLLEGE

J. T. Onley

The winter term passed and the spring finds us hard at work looking forward with every eye on the goal, which will terminate with the finals in June.

We have fully recovered from the S. A. T. C. days which proved very harsh for us. Among the sports, baseball seems to be the leader at present. Mills is making a fine showing and is working faithfully for his "R." G. F. Parrish seems to be going forward with eager eyes to continue his complete "A" record throughout the term.

The annual outing of the Cotillion Club was held at James River Yacht Club in which Virginia Alpha took an active part and reported a very delightful evening on the James and "tripping" to the time of "Jada" until the "wee small hours of the morning."

We have received frequent visits from Brothers Rogers, Ashton, Gary and Louthan, all of Virginia Alpha. Also delegates of the District Conference which was held in our city and which proved of invaluable aid to Virginia Alpha.

In conclusion we extend our heartiest greetings and best wishes to all sister Chapters.

ILLINOIS ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

F. M. Condit

Illinois Alpha is again back on her feet as is shown by the political honors which her men are carrying off. Frank Martino was elected to the position of junior councilman on the Illinois Union Board, and also served on the Sophomore Cotillion Committee. R. T. Anderson was chosen chairman of the Junior Smoker Committee; A. H. Gottschalk on the Senior Class Day Committee; and Lloyd Springer on the Sophomore Smoker Committee.

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We are making an exceptional showing in the Interfraternity baseball league. So far, we have won every game, and have high hopes of bringing home one or two cups. Erasmus Edgar Johnson, our affiliate from Kansas Alpha, has proven to be an able pitcher.

Illinois Alpha celebrated its Installation Day anniversary with a banquet at the Inman Hotel on April 21st. It was the greatest get-together since the signing of the armistice.

The annual election of officers took place on May 5th. R. T. Anderson, Wilbur A. Gehlbach, Lloyd A. Springer, Jas. F. Martino, Erasmus E. Johnson, and Wm. M. Murray were re-elected president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, guard, and marshal, respectively. S. D. Himes was chosen corresponding secretary; Brother K. H. Miller, marshal; and F. M. Condit, historian. Our spring dance was given May 9th and proved to be a great success.

Wilbur Woleben, Ensign, U. S. N., returned for the week-end. His visit was a very enjoyable surprise for "Wolly" had lots to tell about South America, where he had spent most of the winter. He is now bound for Holland where the ship he is on will be returned to that government.

Last week was Inter-scholastics at Illinois. Earl Rugg, '15, of Oak Park, Ill., and Lawrence Draper, '18, of Chicago, were our guests for the week-end.

We are planning to remodel our Chapter house during the summer and thereby increase the capacity of the house about one-half. Illinois Alpha certainly appreciates the fact that the 1919 Conclave will be held in Indianapolis, and will insure a large representation from this Chapter.

We wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated February 24, 1919:

Fay Charles Hare, L. A. S., '13, Champaign, Ill.

Initiated April 24, 1919:

Shelby Dexter Himes, Com., '21, Galva, Ill.

Ralph Theodore Kleymeyer, Eng., '22, Evansville, Indiana.

In conclusion, we extend our best wishes to all of our sister Chapters and a hearty invitation to any brother, who is passing through Champaign, Illinois, to visit us.

COLORADO ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO****C. M. Schepferman**

As the college year closes Colorado Alpha finds herself in much better condition than we had anticipated when Fraternity activities were renewed last January. We are, to say the least, looking forward to the best year in our history.

So far as "doings" on the Hill are concerned, we feel that we are adequately represented. Brother Bill Adams was recently elected vice-president of the Associated Students. K. G. Crispelle is vice-president of The Combined Engineers, besides being a Tau Beta Pi Neophyte. J. S. Brown has recently been elected to Sigma Tau. V. H. Williams and H. J. Allen are members of Torch and Shield—honorary Sophomore Society. V. G. Seavy and W. R. Shaw were on the debating teams. U. J. Collins has been elected an associate member of Sigma X.

A. F. Hansen, D. H. Smith and Schrepferman represented us on the track team, while J. Brown, C. H. Williams, and Schrepferman made their letters in baseball. R. S. Alford was baseball manager. Schrepferman will be next year's basketball captain. C. W. Fulghum won the decision over the amateur middle-weight wrestling champion of the Rocky Mountains.

Judging from the visits of our Alumni we are to have several of the older men back next year.

In closing, we hope that all the sister Chapters have the same prospects for next year as we have.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA**UNIV. OF PENNSYLVANIA****Ernest H. Chapin**

With the close of the term drawing near, we all have a sigh of relief, for the long and rather unusual stretch of the term's work, has been at least rather hard for most of us, and for many it has meant the completion of a year's work in but little more than five months.

But with all of our scholastic endeavors pressing us, we have carried on the other phases of the Chapter life, and have, for

one thing, made a good start by initiating the three following freshmen, whom we wish to introduce to the Fraternity.

Initiated May 13, 1919:

Harold Arthur Martyr, '22, Buffalo, N. Y.

John Levering Vanderherchen, '22, Philadelphia, Pa.

Evan Knowlton Manuel, '22, Philadelphia, Pa.

These men have all gotten a good start, for Brother Martyr is one of the best prospects on the swimming team, while Brother Manuel is on the Freshman track team. Brother Vanderherchen, being just suited for the job by virtue of his size, handles the Freshmen crew. These Freshmen, in addition to those admitted during the regular rushing season, show both collectively and individually great possibilities, and we hope to be able to report many more of their activities in the future.

One of the things we like about the end of the year, is the fact that we can then announce the elections to the honorary societies, and to the various boards and publications. P. R. Kirchner is now a member of the Friar's Senior Society, while G. F. Scanlon has been elected to the Sphinx Senior Society. In the Engineering School, Brother Kirchner is our representative in the Henagen Society, and Brother E. H. Chapin in the Alembic Society. On the Record Board for next year, H. G. Kreiner holds the very ticklish job of business and advertising manager, while W. H. Miller has been taken on the Red and Blue for the coming year. All in all, we feel quite justified in saying that this term has been a very successful one from the standpoint of activities, at least.

But we must not forget our Seniors. We certainly are sorry to see them leave the active Chapter, but no doubt they rather resent our desire to keep them, for several of them have had their time here at the University lengthened by a year, due to the war, and their one desire is to get out, "on a job," as quick as they possibly can. G. E. Wagner, E. W. Hartung, J. F. Kiep, and E. L. Noon are leaving us, and we wish them all possible kinds of luck and success.

Besides the brothers returning to finish up their work here at the University, Brother M. Kecaskey, R. W., will make his ap-

pearance about the first of May, having been discharged from the field artillery, where he was serving as a second lieutenant, at Zachary Taylor. He is at the present staying at the house, and of course we are mighty glad to have him with us, especially so since he graduated several years ago from Penn.

Athletics at Penn. have opened up this year in an entirely new and more available form. Besides the regular 'Varsity teams, an extensive Interfraternity series of events has been carried out, and a great number of the brothers have participated in some form of athletics, who otherwise would not be able to, either from a lack of time, or inclination under the previous conditions. We have so far come strong in the baseball league, which, however, is as yet undecided. We hope to win the trophy, and stand a good chance from the present outlook. Inter-Class crew races also offered chances for some of the brothers, Brother Wagner working with the Seniors, and Brother Kreiner with the Juniors.

With examinations practically over now, and all looking towards the summer with great eagerness, the house is being gradually depleted by the brothers leaving as their "last one" is over. We hope that any brother finding that his summer work brings him to Philadelphia, will come and live at the house, for there is plenty of room, and we would like nothing better than to see any brothers who might come.

VIRGINIA DELTA COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

A. P. Elliott

We regret very much to say that this is the last time that we shall be able to greet the brothers this scholastic year. While we regret the passing of the year, we rejoice that our Chapter has been so successful in all college activities this session. Virginia Delta has held up its standards this year in all kinds of activities and has made itself felt at this ancient seat of learning during the past year.

While we lose four brothers this year by graduation, Jas. T. Jones, Leslie W. Simmons, Robt. C. Rives and Albert P. Elliott, yet the prospects for next year are exceedingly bright. Brothers

Love, Parrish, Richardson, Bridges, Smith and Allen all look forward to returning to college in September.

We have been fortunate, indeed, in securing our same Chapter house for next year. This is a splendid house and we shall find ourselves well situated when we resume work next fall.

We extend to all the Chapters our best wishes for a successful and pleasant vacation.

OHIO ALPHA

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY

Carlin A. France

Things are now rounding up toward the close of the college year which occurs May 28th, about a week later than usual. But we have only five men graduating this term, so our loss will be small, and we are looking forward to a very successful career next year.

Northern has a very promising baseball team this year, but on account of bad weather have had to cancel several games. The royal purple has three men holding down positions on the team, H. E. Hobson, Eli Main and C. A. France helping to hold up Northern's record.

All eyes are now turned toward the Alumni banquet, to be held on May 25th. We expect a very large number of Alumni back at that time, as this is to be the big event of the year.

We have had pleasant visits from several of our old members, some just getting out of the service and others just dropping in for a short stay. F. C. Mercer, who is a first-class sergeant in the medical corps, stationed at Fort Sherman, was back for a short visit. He does not expect to be released before September. We enjoy these visits and welcome more.

The men leaving college this year through graduation are H. E. Hobson, W. O. Clark, R. L. Henshaw, L. E. Williams and C. A. France, all being graduates in engineering.

We hope to be able to report the initiation of several men soon.

In closing, we extend our most cordial wishes to all the Chapters for a very pleasant vacation and hope all will return strong next year.

INDIANA ALPHA**PURDUE UNIVERSITY****E. E. Plummer**

The middle of the second semester finds the Indiana Alpha Chapter in excellent condition. Pre-war activities have been resumed and many of the brothers have already achieved honor for themselves in their various lines. Harley S. Griner has been initiated into the Tau Beta Pi honorary engineering fraternity. G. G. Slater was elected president of the Freshman Class, and J. R. Fish was elected chairman of the Insignia Board. These additions give our Chapter eight of the fourteen offices of the Freshman Class.

Several of the brothers have been initiated into debating and literary societies. M. Q. Dannettell was initiated into the Carlyle Literary Society, L. K. Wyckoff into the Forum Debating Society, and R. A. Schakel into the Purdue Debating Society.

We are well supported in athletics. F. S. Miller and G. G. Slater have been awarded 'Varsity numerals for service on the 'Varsity football team. At the recent Interfraternity relay our team took third place. J. H. Weghorst is high jumping for the 'Varsity track team. H. F. Hedderich and J. C. McCullough are on the Freshman track team, and L. K. Wyckoff is on the 'Varsity track team as well as heavy weight wrestler on the 'Varsity squad. H. S. Griner is catcher on the 'Varsity baseball team again this year. G. G. Slater, A. J. Gruenert and F. S. Miller are active on the Freshman baseball team. H. A. Stepelton is on the Sophomore team. Interfraternity baseball will soon begin and we are prepared with a strong team with which we intend to waylay the pennant. We are represented on the tennis team by G. W. Watson, J. R. Fish and T. B. McMath.

The Junior Promenade, which is the chief social event of the University year is scheduled for the twenty-fifth of April. At this time we will hold our formal house party, which will extend from the twenty-fourth till the twenty-seventh. The orchestra which will play Friday night at the promenade will have played Thursday night at our house dance. Preparations have been made to make the Sigma Phi Epsilon house party the finest of its kind to be held by any Fraternity at Purdue.

While speaking of dancing it might be said that Brothers Wyckoff, Hawisher and Miller have become so proficient at that art that the Fleus-de-lis Dancing Society has invited them to become members of that society.

On April the fifth, Mr. Leo Carl McNamara, of Indianapolis, Indiana, was initiated into the Fraternity as an honorary member. He is an architect of Indianapolis and has aided our Alumni association in projects for the betterment of the active Chapter.

We have elected our house officers for next year. J. M. Kirkpatrick was selected as president, and H. S. Griner, vice-president. These officers will be installed on April 28th.

Indiana Alpha has lately had the pleasure of entertaining the following brothers:

M. B. Frazee, ex-'13, First Lieutenant, General Staff, A. E. F., who has just returned from France.

O. K. Ziegler, ex-'17, Sergeant Artillery, just returned from France. He intends to return to the University in the fall as a Senior in the School of Agriculture.

Ensign M. H. Evans, Great Lakes, Ill.

P. S. Lowe, '17; E. H. Rights, '17, and R. F. Sproat, '17.

In closing, Indiana Alpha wishes that all of her sister Chapters may have the success that she has enjoyed.

VIRGINIA ZETA

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE

R. E. Garland

The Panhellenic dance given June 9th concluded the activities of Virginia Zeta for the year 1918-19. We were glad to have a number of visitors with us that night.

Virginia Zeta has passed a very successful year and has bright prospects for next, although several of this year's number will not be back in the fall. William H. Connelly and H. Barnes graduate, and Earl H. Brown and Joseph H. Harper expect to pursue their studies elsewhere. M. F. Parker and Charles B. Hurtt, who were with us for a short time last fall, expect to return next session.

We wish a pleasant summer for all our brothers and trust that every sister Chapter will make a good start next fall.

GEORGIA ALPHA**GA. SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY****W. L. Markert**

Georgia Alpha wishes to extend her good wishes to all sister Chapters. This has been an unusual year for all college life and we feel very proud of the way in which $\Sigma \Phi E$ has met all difficulties. At present we have one of the very best Chapters we have ever had and our prospects are unusually bright for the rest of the year. Baseball is in full swing now and we have "Frank" Asbury as the crack pitcher of the team and he is going strong with a chance to be the best in the South. "Charley" Turner, third baseman, is captain of the team, and has done wonderful work in leading his team to victory. Then we have Freshman "Rube" Fielding, who is making good on first sack in his first college year and is sure to make his letter. Panhellenic baseball begins very soon and we have a good chance to win the trophy offered, for Georgia Alpha and $\Sigma \Phi E$ are working hard every day toward this end. We finished well in basketball.

Among the various clubs and student activities at Tech, we feel sure that we have done our share and more. In the Koserne (Junior Society) we have "Charley" Turner, "Jake" Mason and "Frank" Asbury, while in the Skull and Key we have "Bevo" Yorke and "Rube" Fielding. Our Bull Dog representative is Charley Turner, who is also a member of the Co-tillion Club, as are also Mason and Yorke.

Georgia Alpha came to the front in March when she gave one of the best dances ever given at Tech, and it was indeed a success. Then on April the first we celebrated the founding of our Chapter by a banquet at the Ansley Hotel. This banquet was a real $\Sigma \Phi E$ affair and made us all proud that we were among those present. E. D. Ivey, grand vice-president, was present and gave a fine talk.

At present we are looking forward with much interest to the close of college which is on June the nineteenth. We are expecting to get some good men lined up during the vacation and begin the year with lots of pep next fall.

In closing, we wish all sister Chapters the best of vacations and commencements.

DELAWARE ALPHA**DELAWARE STATE COLLEGE****Arthur F. Spaid**

Since our last Chapter letter, an event has taken place that promises bigger and better things for Sigma Phi Epsilon at Old Delaware. April 26th was the date of the greatest "get-together" that the Alumni and the active Chapter has ever had. Things moved the entire day with lots of "pep." There was a baseball game, roast pig dinner, and a real jazz band at night. However, the most important event of the day was a joint business meeting, the result of which is going to give us a fine new home on the college campus. Work on this new Chapter house will be under way before our return to college next September.

On May 3rd, Delaware Alpha and her friends enjoyed a not-to-be-forgotten evening at the Newark New Century Club in the form of one of our famous informal dances, and on May the 10th, under the supervision of our old colored friend and housekeeper, Martha, we gave one of the most successful house parties, despite the rainy weather, ever given on Quality Hill. At both of these affairs we showed to many prospective Sigma Phi Epsilons just who's who at Delaware. Right at this time Delaware Alpha wishes to extend a cordial invitation to all Sigma Phi Epsilons to attend an informal dance to be given in the drawing room of the New Century Club, Wilmington, Delaware, on Wednesday, June the 11th. We want this dance to be worth while, so if any of the Brothers happen to be near Wilmington on that date be sure you come around and enjoy the fun.

Another item of interest takes on the form of elections. Although only half over, Sigma Phi Epsilon has not been slighted. In athletics we have F. Bayard Carter as captain of next year's basketball team, and according to custom this year's assistant managers will be next year's managers, as a result W. W. Lattomus is the new football manager, and R. Paul Kite next year's track manager.

Representing the Class of '21 on the Athletic Council, we have Hugh McCaughan, Jr., and Sigma Phi Epsilons hold the following offices on next year's "Blue Hen" board: William T.

Broughall, editor-in-chief; Arthur F. Spaid, art editor; Joseph H. Fairbanks, advertising manager. In the Senior Class, F. Bayard Carter is president, and in the Junior Class, E. George Tonkin is president, and James A. Horthy, treasurer. We are sure to have four men on the Student Council and another on the Athletic Council, as well as men in other offices, the elections of which have not as yet taken place. Also all Sigma Phi Epsilons in the Class of '20 were elected into the Senior Fraternity, the "Derelicts."

We introduce the following new Chapter officers for next year: Draper Smith, Walter L. Ritz, Walter D. Smith, William H. Frederick, Arthur F. Spaid, Hugh McCaughan, Jr.

Here, too, we wish to introduce the following new brothers to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated April 2, 1919:

David Robinson Allmond, Jr., '22, C. E., Wilmington, Del.

Initiated April 24, 1919:

William Franklin Jacobs, Jr., '22, E. E., Smyrna, Del.

Initiated May 14, 1919:

Richard Hutchinson McMullen, '21, E. E., Wilmington, Del.

Initiated May 14, 1919:

Charles Grubb Edwards, '20, A. & S., Wilmington, Del.

Delaware Alpha closes this letter with hearty wishes for a pleasant and successful summer to all her sister Chapters, and may we all come back next year renewed in strength and zeal with the great purpose of making Sigma Phi Epsilon the best ever.

VIRGINIA ETA**UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA****Thos. C. Phillips**

At the writing of this letter the brothers of Virginia Eta are scattering to widely distant parts of the United States, thus closing a year that in spite of a gloomy beginning has come to a most successful termination. With a bright outlook for the coming scholastic year we have rented a commodious house conveniently situated on Rugby Road. With several large rooms to fill, we will welcome with hearty accord any brother who is transferring to University of Virginia next year.

In addition to other pleasing successes we have not been without representation in college honors. Philip Lewis has been elected to membership in the Raven Honorary Society, and Charles Brown was elected vice-president of the Engineering School by a satisfactory majority, also Thos. C. Phillips was made president of the Southwest Virginia Club.

We have received pleasant, though short visits from K. L. McNeal, of this Chapter, at present a medical officer in the Navy. O. G. Ruemann, N. Y. Alpha, also stopped for a short while on his return trip to New York after a business trip through the South.

H. A. Martin and Ben. W. Carter will fill the offices of president and secretary next session, and we feel sure that the Chapter will be carried on in an able manner.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large the following:

Initiated April 3, 1919:

Ten Eyck Wendell, Jr., New York City.

Initiated April 23, 1919:

Curtis Ralph Brundage, '22, West Orange, N. J.

Andrew Wilson Ashburn, '19, Alvarado, Texas.

Julius George Evans, '21, New York City.

With the earnest conviction that they will make worthy brothers of $\Sigma \Phi E$ we commend them for fraternal treatment wherever they may be to all men who wear the heart.

With best wishes to the members of our sister Chapters for a prosperous summer and a happy reunion in the fall Virginia Eta closes this letter with longing eyes toward a pleasant vacation.

ARKANSAS ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS****Lee Bossmeyer**

Arkansas Alpha starts the last lap of the year with the courage born of success, for this has not been an unsuccessful year, since Sigma Phi Epsilon has maintained her reputation as the scholastic and social captain in the galaxy of Fraternities. For the first two terms the $\Sigma \Phi E$ won first place in scholarship, leading not only all Fraternities, but the whole student body. As one professor was heard to remark confidentially to another of his tribe, "The Sig Eps are scholastic as well as social in their nature." As there are no contrary signs on the wall, we are confident that we shall repeat this last term our achievement of the first two terms.

Since we have adopted the policy of keeping our Chapter distinguished as a bunch of élites, our number at present is very small, due to the paucity of material that measures up to the Sig Ep's high standard. The University and, therefore, the Fraternities have been very much handicapped the whole year on account of the conditions under which the year was begun. The student body is fast readjusting itself to the conditions of peace. The old-time Arkansas pep is permeating the atmosphere. With the returning of the University to normal, Arkansas Alpha has kept progress. Every Sig Ep on the campus is a bundle of enthusiasm.

The social bee has buzzed loudly in $\Sigma \Phi E$ quarters. In conformance with Chapter tradition, we have maintained the custom of having the girls over for dinner and after-dinner dance every Wednesday. These evenings are always occasions of the greatest merriment. We have, also, had an average of six representatives for every Fraternity dance of the season.

Lee Bossmeyer is a member of the University Glee Club. During the annual tour of the Glee Club last month, the press gave him special mention as a soloist of excellent talent.

Pledge Canfield is master of the tennis racket, having established himself as intra-mural champion in the recent local tournament.

Clyde Vinson was nominated by the Department of Commerce of the University for a scholarship in the National City Bank of New York. If his nomination is confirmed by the Bank, he will go to New York this summer to study banking.

J. W. Day, of Missouri Alpha, called on the Chapter a few weeks ago. We were glad to have him come around to see us. He has got the pep. We wish that others would show his sort of pep, and let us have the chance to give them the magic grip.

Paul Childress, an alumnus, also surprised us with a visit. Brother Childress was with the Engineers in France for nine months and several times was under fire. He is now employed as a chemical engineer with a firm in San Antonio, Texas.

Sid Benton, another alumnus, who is still in the Army stationed at Camp Pike, is pitching for the Camp Pike baseball team, which is scheduled for a series of games with the "Razor-back" nine, beginning May 20th. We are all rejoicing at the prospect of having old Sid spend a few days with us.

The prospect for a great year for 1919-20 is unusually favorable. It is the avowed purpose of all the present members to return next year, as we do not lose any by graduation this time. Several old members have notified us of their intention of matriculating next fall. These facts, coupled with the certainty of normal conditions, betoken great things for Arkansas Alpha next year.

Best wishes to all brothers for a happy vacation.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

Sylvester M. Larkin

Fraternity conditions at Lehigh are again becoming normal with our Chapter. Our active Chapter at present consists of eighteen brothers. Since our last letter we have initiated:

Initiated April 13, 1919:

James Coalter Crawford, Jr., '22, E. M., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Several of our men have come back from "over there" and inform us that they expect to return to college next fall. This will be of advantage to us, and it will make our Chapter one of the strongest at Lehigh.

A few days ago an Interfraternity Council was instituted here in college. A constitution was drawn up and has been submitted to the different Fraternities for approval and additions. This Council will be a great help to the different Fraternities and will be a turning point in Fraternity life.

Chas. G. Gilman has made the lacrosse team and also is manager of the track team, on which George Gelly is coming to the front. James Goodwin is out for assistant manager of track, Ralph Wilson for baseball, and Edward Loeser for lacrosse. William Johnson has his old place back as pitcher on the baseball squad.

At the Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships, Milton Manley came through as champion in the 175-pound class. Ralph Wilson has also been made a member of Phi Club, and business manager of the college dramatic society—Mustard and Cheese—while James Goodwin was made assistant stage manager. John Alden has been made assistant editor of the college newspaper.

We also wish to announce that we are living in a new house. Address all communications to 157 South Main Street, Bethlehem, Pa.

In closing, Pennsylvania Epsilon extends a cordial invitation to all visiting brothers and her best regards to all sister chapters.

VERMONT ALPHA

NORWICH UNIVERSITY

F. M. Matthews

Dear Brothers: Springtime in the Green Mountains finds Vermont Alpha going as strong as ever. We now have thirty brothers at the house, and everything is in prosperous condition. Letters from our men in the service indicate that many of them will be back next fall.

Included in our number are two who saw active service overseas. L. H. Nason, '20, wears two wound stripes as souvenirs

of his service with the Third Division. Edward F. Merchant, '22, spent twelve months with the Yankee Division, returning last fall as a machine gun instructor. He was discharged and entered college in January.

Murray C. Woodbury, '21, who won his commission in the air service has returned to college, and entertains us with stories of the conquest of the air.

Junior Week at the University was held from May first to fourth. We held a very successful house party on the night of the third. Twenty couples were present, and it proved to be our best social event of the year.

We have recently enjoyed visits from two of our Alumni, Ernest C. White, '08, who served overseas as a captain of engineers, and Geo. S. Bennett, '16, who also held a commission. We have received a letter from du Val Allen, '19, who has arrived in New York, and is at present in the hospital. Brother Allen was one of the first to leave N. U. to enter the service. Being unable to enter an officers' training camp, he enlisted in the French ambulance service, and has seen service on all fronts in the past two years.

Frederick S. Whelton and Herbert F. Harrington are holding down regular positions on the 'Varsity baseball team.

We wish to introduce the following new brothers to the Fraternity:

Initiated May 25, 1919:

Leonard Hastings Nason, '20, Auburndale, Mass.
Harold Eastman Crane, '22, Burlington, Vt.
Henry Donald Melloon, '22, Lowell, Mass.
David Verner Anderson, '22, Montpelier, Ct.
Herman Robie Ames, '22, Keene, N. H.
Theron William McIntosh, '22, Northfield, Vt.
Daniel Scott Davis, '22, Northfield, Vt.

We are going to wind up the year with our annual initiatory banquet Saturday, June seventh. We feel that this will be a fitting climax to a very successful year.

In closing, Vermont Alpha wishes all her sister chapters the best of luck for the coming year.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA**DARTMOUTH COLLEGE****Jno. V. Wilkie**

Dartmouth's third term of college opened April 2nd. We welcomed back with its beginning "Jake" Daley, '19, who had been enjoying life as a naval aviator in the Pensacola region. However, his return increased our numbers for only a short time, as Brother Paul Halloran's course in the Thayer School of Engineering was finished for the year in April. Paul is now in the wildest part of Northern New Hampshire, helping to survey the Dartmouth College grant.

We have three new brothers to introduce.

Initiated April 23, 1919:

Harrison Winthrop Dwight, '20, Dorchester, Mass.

Christopher Emil Suttmeier, '22, Richmond Hill, New York City.

Initiated May 13, 1919:

Lawrence Albert Walte, '22, North Attleboro, Mass.

One of the greatest pleasures of the term has been the visits of some of the brothers returning from service. Those who have been in France recently were "Hal" Eastman, '18, a radio sergeant; "Chet" Hulbert, '17, 2nd Lt. C. A. C.; "Doc" Noyes, '15, 2nd Lt. Signal Corps; "Bob" Brown, '16, 2nd Lt. Sanitary Corps. The others were "Vic" Smith, '17, chief machinist mate in the Boston Navy Yard; "Chuck" Dudley, '16, 2nd Lt. Sanitary Corps; and "Wally" Harding, a naval aviator.

We are also pleased to have in town "Bart" Shackford, '17, who has graduated from the Harvard Medical School and entered the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital here.

In the Interfraternity baseball league we started off very well by winning our first game. "Lefty" Bowerman is probably one of the best twirlers in the league.

Our Freshmen entertained us very pleasantly with a musical show. We learned for the first time wherein some of our

younger brothers were really talented. Some of our 1922 delegation also have made a reputation for themselves as real scrappers during the recent Freshman Class Picture Contest.

We have enjoyed a couple of house dances since our last letter. The big social event, however, was Junior Prom. In spite of rain we had a great three-day house party. During it, Brother "Bill" Haas appeared as a chorus girl in "Oh! Doctor!" which is a mighty clever musical show. Clarence A. Lloyd and Wilmer W. Angell were in the orchestra of the show. The whole cast and orchestra reproduced the show in Northampton, Mass.

In the recent elections to the Dartmouth Bema, L. J. Nardi, '21, was elected assistant advertising manager; J. V. Wilkie, '20, was elected circulation manager, and W. P. Bowerman, '20, was elected to the Literary Board. Roy D. Halloran has been elected president of Gamma Alpha, an honorary scientific society; and Ellis D. Briggs has been chosen secretary of the Dartmouth Outing Club. In the track meets we have been represented by K. C. Bevan and "Gus" Cummings.

We have been pleased to have brothers from Vermont Alpha and Massachusetts Alpha visit us and we are sorry that they could not spend more time with us. We are rather off the main road of travel, but we sure like to have the brothers drop in to see us.

DIS. OF COLUMBIA ALPHA GEO. WASHINGTON UNIV.

J. H. Lapish

From all appearances it seems that the prospects of D. C. A. are growing brighter as the school year nears its close.

Brothers Whitiker and Starr have been discharged from the Army and were back in school at the beginning of the second term. Brothers Knack, Brown, Foster, Hyde, and Smith, have returned from overseas and it was with great pleasure that we welcomed them back.

In February we held a very successful dance at the Chapter house. A large number of the brothers present had just returned from the Army and it made the occasion take the form of a reunion.

With great pleasure we introduce the following:

Initiated March 15, 1919:

Clair Villiers Johnson, Eng., Washington, D. C.

Casper Lehman Cottrell, Arts, Reading, Pa.

Arthur Loyvall Lanigan, Eng., Washington, D. C.

Arthur Ira Gebhart, Eng., Washington, D. C.

On March 17th we held our annual installation banquet at the Hotel Lafayette. It was one of the most successful banquets we have ever held. With many brothers present who had just returned from overseas it made a real reunion and their war tales were an inspiration. William L. Phillips, our grand secretary, honored us with his presence. He was the principal speaker of the evening and his talk was very interesting and helpful to the Chapter.

We take pleasure in announcing at this time, the officers for the coming year: President, G. L. Bowen; vice-president, H. L. Strang; secretary, G. Reeves; treasurer, R. Harsh; historian, J. H. Lapish; guard, L. Whitiker.

Henry A. Lee and Richard A. Stunim, of California Alpha, were with us on March 15th, and we hope they will be with us again in the near future. Brother Liedig, of Michigan Alpha, has just left for New York, after being at the Chapter house for several weeks. Benjamin J. Eastman, of New Hampshire Alpha, and William G. Gridley, of New York Beta, are living in the house at the present time.

We extend our best wishes to all sister Chapters.

KANSAS ALPHA**BAKER UNIVERSITY****W. H. Beck, Jr.**

Despite the unrest and unsteadiness which has characterized universally the college life for the past school year, Kansas Alpha wishes to mention the fact that she has held her own under many trying and discouraging circumstances which have threatened the Chapter from time to time. Although our membership has been smaller than in the past, caused by several of the brothers being called home, we live upon our plans for the coming year which look unusually bright. Many of the brothers recently returned from France have expressed their intentions of re-entering Baker next year.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated June 5, 1919:

Jasper Griffen, '22, Arts, Baldwin, Kansas.

We believe him to be a good man and well worthy of the brotherhood of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Our annual election of officers took place May 3rd, and the following were elected: President, Russel S. Baldwin; vice-president, Harold G. Manorgan; treasurer, W. Sidney Trebilcock; secretary, F. F. Sandfort; historian, W. H. Beck, Jr. Every one of them we know to be boosters and the success for the coming year seems assured.

Our annual informal was held Wednesday, May 7th, and was pronounced a success by all who attended.

Track came to a more than successful close with Baker winning the State championship. Three of our brothers made themselves famous by consistently winning their events and making their B's. They were Charles Mitchel, 2-miler; F. W. McDonald, 1-4 mile, high jump and relay; and H. S. Nye, 100 the 220-yard dash, and the mainstay on the relay team. All of these men will return for the next year. F. W. McDonald is the only man in school winning three letters this year, besides

his letter in football he made the All-State, and is the captain-elect for the next year's basketball team. H. S. Nye represented Baker in the Missouri Valley meet held at Ames.

The biggest event of the year was our fifteenth annual stag banquet held Saturday, June the 7th. Plates were set for over fifty, including a few high school boys over the State. Kansas Beta was represented by Brothers Winters and Hill, both of whom we all are glad to note are wearing the heart. Every one present promised that he would return for the same kind of a good time next year, and we hope that many of the brethren who are still in France will be able to make up for their absence this time.

We extend best wishes to all our sister Chapters for the summer and the coming year.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

James H. Oakley.

College closed three weeks ago and the chapter members have scattered for the summer. All of us are looking forward to a big year for California Alpha, with the opening of college in August. We leased a good house at 2521 Channing Way and will move into it on August first. Meanwhile we have given up the rooms at the Bancroft Apartments that have served as our home during the past six months. Several more brothers have returned from the service since our last letter and other are expected to come back to college in the fall. Quincy Wright, Orville Caldwell, Spencer Capp, Bob Evans, Jack Oakley, Rodney Surryhne and Husky Beresford are some of the men who will come back.

Two men from this chapter received their diplomas at the commencement exercises a few weeks ago, John H. Spohn, Jr., '18, and George G. Mitchell, '19. Both were in the College of Letters and Science and both held commissions in the Army during the war.

The annual banquet was held on May 3rd at the Poodle Dog Restaurant in San Francisco. H. E. Rahlmann acted as

Master of Ceremonies and the great success of the evening was due largely to his efforts. Talks were given by several prominent alumni and undergraduates, notably one by Maurice Knowles who described some of his experiences in France with the American tanks. He went overseas a 2nd Lieutenant and returned a Major. We had the pleasure of the presence and a speech by Brother Smith from Delaware Alpha who is in San Francisco on business.

At the closing meeting of the year the following Chapter officers were elected:

George Boyd (re-elected).
Harold Beresford.
Curtis Wetter.
Charles Fishburn (re-elected).
Reginald Biggs.
James Oakley.

We wish all our sister Chapters as good a year as we are looking forward to.

WASHINGTON ALPHA WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE

W. P. Forster

The full house with which we opened up January first was augmented by three at the beginning of this quarter when Brothers Erskine and Shirk and Pledge Gray returned from the Navy. In striking contrast with other Fraternities on the Campus we have found it necessary for some of the brothers to live outside the house.

Washington Alphas' strength on the campus is not alone one of quantity, but of quality as well, for in every branch of student activity the group from 506 Colorado is one to be reckoned with to the final whistle. Washington State's after the war social life was launched March first, when the "Sig Eps" gave their anniversary formal and established a standard to which all formals since are compared.

In athletics, Washington Alpha, of course, does not stand first in everything, but when she has been eliminated the finals

are well under way. In basketball we lost the final and championship game to Lambda Chi Alpha after having defeated them in an earlier game. Without the points of our four letter men the balance of the Fraternity grabbed 47 to our nearest rival's 19 points in the Interfraternity track meet.

Of the four letter men, Captain C. A. Phillips contributed 10 points; Jenne, 14; King, 6, and Smith, 6, for a total of 36 out of the 79 points scored by Washington State in the dual meet with Idaho last Saturday. Brother Jenne is expected to break the Pacific Coast pole vault record this season as he has passed the twelve-foot mark on several occasions. Brother Smith already holds the record in the two-mile event.

The Interfraternity baseball series is now in progress and to date we have won the two games played. Captain McKenna says, "the loving cup will go to the best team and I believe we will see it on our mantle for the next year."

When the registrar's office posted the Fraternity scholastic standing at the close of last quarter Sigma Phi Epsilon stood fourth. Instead of the boys assuming an attitude of self-satisfaction they are leading one another to believe that first place during this quarter is not too high.

Brother Harry George, as editor of the college paper, is meeting with unqualified success. Brother Bert Stone, on the Athletic Council, was influential in securing Capt. Gustavus Welch (now with the American forces in France) to coach Washington State's football teams next fall. Rumors afloat at present would have Bert elected president of the Associated Students at the coming election.

The annual Sig Ep picnic was staged last Sunday when three mammoth trucks spirited away twenty-eight present Sig Eps and as many more possibilities, with tons of "eats" to the wilds of the Moscow mountains for the day.

Washington Alpha is planning a District Convention, May 24th, in connection with her home-coming day for inactive brothers. As the Northwest Conference track meet will be held on Rogers' Field that day a good representation from both Ore-

gon and Montana Alpha is expected. We also plan to put five neophytes through at that time.

Brothers Phillips and McKenna will receive their B. S. Degrees in Agriculture, and Brother Rinehart an A. B. in Economics and History next month when Washington State graduates a class of one hundred and thirty-two. Brothers Stone, president; Bell, secretary, and Van Nice, treasurer, have been elected to fill the offices vacated by the departing Seniors. Brother Stone was also elected delegate to the Conclave next fall.

Alpha Zeta recently picked from our group George, King and Jenne, while Stone and Pledge Ries were admitted to Sigma Tau, and George and Stone were among the twelve men announced by Crimson Circle at the recent Campus Day festivities.

Hoping that next fall will find every Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon back on its feet in institutions made even greater than ever before through their contact with the world in the crisis of the last two years, Washington Alpha bids you, one and all, a hearty so-long till we meet at the Conclave next fall.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA MASS. AGRICULTURAL COL.

J. D. Evers

Our annual initiation banquet, held March 15, 1919, at Plymouth Inn, Northampton, Mass., was the best ever and will be long remembered by all. Among the Alumni present were "Art" Taylor, '14, Carl Allen, "Walt" Hurlburt, '18, William King, ex-'19, and "Skinny" Rogers. O. G. Reuman, District Deputy, New York Alpha, was also present. Brother Mattoon acted as toastmaster, and among those called upon to speak were Brothers Chandler, Callanan, Collins, Rogers, and Reuman.

Massachusetts Alpha takes great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large the following:

Initiated April 24, 1919:

Clifton Forrest Giles, '22, Newtonville, Mass.

David Allen Fiske, '22, Amherst, Mass.

Brother Fiske served overseas and Brother Giles was in the S. A. T. C. Both men are well worthy of the pin.

We take great pride in notifying our sister Chapters that we are now installed in our new house at 88 Pleasant Street, Amherst, Mass. There are eighteen men living in the house.

'Varsity baseball is now in full swing and the prospects are good for a fast team. J. F. Carlton, '20, R. C. Coombs, '21, M. R. Bacon, '20, and H. L. Collins, '22, are the "nine." C. H. Gowdy is well up in competition for assistant manager of baseball.

Our 'Varsity track team has succeeded in defeating Trinity and Middlebury this season. W. J. Sweeney, P. J. Cascio, V. D. Callanan, A. L. Chandler and A. D. Long are doing well on the track.

The 'Varsity rifle team stands well up at the top in competition with other college teams. On the 'Varsity squad are V. D. Callanan, W. J. Sweeney and R. H. Sanford.

In interclass athletics, F. E. Hooper and C. F. Giles are on the Freshman baseball team. R. A. Mellen is on the Sophomore tennis team, of which J. D. Evers is manager. G. A. Cotton and D. A. Fiske were on the Freshman six-man rope pull team.

R. A. Mellen has been elected editor-in-chief of the 1921 Index. P. J. Cascio and J. D. Evers are also on the Index Board. Charles G. Mattoon is on the Sophomore-Senior Hop Committee. A. F. Cosby is on the Senior Cane Committee, and D. A. Fiske is on the Freshman class debating team.

J. F. Carlton, '20, has been elected to Adelpia, and A. L. Chandler has been elected to Phi Kappa Phi.

In the Freshman class elections, C. H. Gowdy was elected president; G. H. Thompson, vice-president, and G. A. Cotton, class captain.

Our relay team with the record of eight straight wins equalled the college record and is now in possession of the Interfraternity Relay Trophy. Interfraternity baseball has also started and we intend to do the same in that sport as we have done in track.

On May 17th, a successful house party was run with over twenty couples attending.

Albert W. Dodge, '12, and Douglas T. Newbold, ex-'19, overseas' lieutenants, paid us week-end visits. Ralph W. Rees, Department of Pomology, Cornell, was also about the campus.

In closing, Massachusetts Alpha sends her sister Chapters greetings and wishes all a most happy summer vacation.

NEW YORK BETA**CORNELL UNIVERSITY**

W. I. Wilson

The new term ushered into our midst Major James A. Meisner, "Jimmie" Cornell's famous Ace, winner of the Croix de Guerre and D. S. C. Since his return to the University a great part of his time has been given to the Government in making speeches for the Liberty Loan. He has also spoken at the Buffalo, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Indianapolis Cornell Alumni Associations. Brother Meisner took upon himself the duties of the Government and the University and has come through in splendid shape. He is house treasurer at the present time, having been appointed to that position before his entrance in the war.

Hardly a month passes without the Chapter experiencing the returning grip of one of the old men. Kenneth M. Shaw is the latest addition from the service. Six of the old men promise to come back next fall, so we have good reason to expect the Chapter roll to come back to normal before another year passes.

Spring Day at Cornell took with it a goodly portion of the handy cash from the brothers' pockets. The festivities began May 23rd and lasted over the 25th. The Sophomores gave their annual closed-house dance on the night of the 24th. The house was filled with ladies and also sheltered three of the brothers who received discharges just in time to take in the second largest event of Cornell's history. Charles C. Garside, '19, Wallace V. Cunneen, '19, and F. Carlton Kingsland, '19, expressed their intention of coming back next fall, the old house looked good to them and the wonderful food, dances, and general good time brought to their minds good old days that makes a man long for the spirit of a Chapter house.

At the crew race, May 24th, we were fortunate in having H. B. Hoffman as one of the official judges. Hoffman was one of the men who greeted Cornell at the finish with a smile of victory as the Princeton crew was left two boat lengths in the rear.

The Chapter bowling team won the second cup in the Interfraternity bowling contest.

F. A. Carlson, a member of the Massachusetts Alpha Chapter entered Cornell this term and is instructing in the Agriculture College while he studies for his Doctor's degree.

In Cornell activities the house is represented by I. B. Baugher, who was appointed on the Sophomore Smoker Committee, and he is to be appointed on the Freshmen Advisory Committee for next fall; this will give him an excellent opportunity to look over the incoming Freshmen. James A. Meisner was elected to the Sphinx Head and the Savage Club, two of the largest honorary Fraternities here, and T. L. Collum was elected to the Pyramid, also a large honorary Fraternity.

Summer school this year will be a regular three months' term for most of the colleges. This will give many of the returned service men an opportunity to make up some of the work they missed. A number of men from the house are going to remain for this new term and this fact alone will insure the expectations that the Chapter house will be in tip-top shape for the beginning of the new year.

We trust all sister Chapters have been as fortunate as we in having a large number of the old men return to school. Next fall promises well for this house and we hope all the other Chapters will find themselves on the good old pre-war basis.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA

BROWN UNIVERSITY

I. B. Howell

Another college year has come to a close and another Senior Class has passed out of the gates.

Rhode Island Alpha has not had an especially good year, but this was only to be expected for the changes from peace to war and back again were very hard on all Fraternities.

It is with mingled feelings of pride and regret that Rhode Island Alpha announces that another one of our brothers, Howard Lewis Quinby, made the supreme sacrifice in France. Of the forty-one brothers that have been initiated into the Rhode Island Alpha Chapter, three have given their lives for their country, and twenty-two were in service, which accounts for our lack of Seniors this year, and for some of our difficulties.

In closing, we wish to extend to all our sister Chapters best wishes for a pleasant vacation and a successful session next year.

MICHIGAN ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN****James White**

This, the last letter of the season, finds Michigan Alpha in active preparation for the close of the year. Everyone is busy studying for his exams.

We wish to take this opportunity to introduce to the Fraternity:

Initiated May 17, 1919:

Joseph Hodgson, '21, Lit., Ann Arbor, Mich.
Irving Tosher Sanborn, '20, Eng., Detroit, Mich.
Thomas Miller, '22, Lit., Richmond, Mich.
John Henry Pfeiffer, '20, Lit., Edmore, Mich.
Frank Hackett, '21, Lit., Detroit, Mich.
Leonard de Spelder, '19, Dent., Ann Arbor, Mich.
Eric Pete Langenhan, '20, Eng., Cleveland, Ohio.

Michigan has just closed a very successful year in athletics having made herself champion of the Conference in football, baseball, track and tennis. Michigan Alpha was well represented in baseball with Edward Phenev and Eric P. Langehen on the team. In tennis we were represented by Brother Edwin C. Bowers. Among the other boys who took part in campus activities were James White and Harold Schillinger in the Michigan Union Opera, Chas. E. Hardy in the Glee Club and in the University Choral Union, and Glenn H. Cummings in the 'Varsity Band.

We have sold our old home on State Street and have purchased a new one on Madison Street. The house at present is not suited to our needs but with a very little remodelling will make us a fine home. We expect to be located in our new home about October 1st.

We gave a dance on May 17th for the initiates and one on St. Patrick's Day. Both parties were very successful.

We have every indication of a large attendance at summer school this year. We received word that Harold H. Springstun and A. H. Gottschalk, of Illinois Alpha, will be here for summer school. J. D. O'Connor became a member of Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity this semester and intends to leave us next year. C. P. Emery, who recently returned from the service, is holding down the position of instructor in mathematics in the University this semester.

We wish all of our sister Chapters the best of success for the coming college year.

IOWA ALPHA

IOWA WESLYAN COLLEGE

J. Leonard Feldman

The close of the year finds Iowa Alpha in good condition. Although we are not as numerous as we usually are, we now have fourteen brothers and five pledges. The new brothers are:

Initiated May 12, 1919:

Harold Archibald Toothacre, '22, L. A., Burlington, Iowa.
Harold Oscar Gardner, '20, Pre Medical, Winifield, Iowa.
Ralph Edward Conner, '21, L. A., Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Initiated June 11, 1919:

Ralph Edward Conner, '21, L. A., Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.
Olin Cerniah Snair, '22, L. A., Kalona, Iowa.
Wilbur Conner De Witt, '22, L. A., Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

They are all good men and bid fair to do honor to themselves and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

We have as usual taken a leading part in all college activities.

Newton E. Moats, Walter I. Carper and Victor B. Neiswanger and pledge Houston took part in Dramatic Club work.

Frank J. Snider, Alvin G. Mathews, W. I. Carper, Morris Day and Ralph E. Conner and pledges Houston and Hagie were members of the Glee Club.

F. J. Snider, H. O. Gardner, V. De Cresap, O. C. Snair and H. A. Toothacre were on the track team.

The house will not be open this summer, but if any brother should happen to be in or near Mt. Pleasant after college opens next fall we would be glad to have him pay us a visit.

In closing we wish to extend to our sister Chapter our best wishes for a pleasant and profitable vacation.

COLORADO BETA

DENVER UNIVERSITY

Carlos G. Stratton

In the recent weeks there seems to have been an abundance of social affairs of all sorts. Of course, individual members have been present at more than these, but the Fraternity as a whole has in the past two months attended three receptions at Sorority houses; the Interfraternity dance, which, by the way, was a real affair. The dance which the Alumni gave to the three Colorado Chapters. Dr. Liniger, one of our Alumni, gave a dance for us in his home. Before this edition is off the press we will have had our annual picnic at El Dorado Springs, a popular resort near Denver; and before college is out we will give a rush smoker for high school seniors.

We have three men on the baseball squad, Hugh Quinn, '22, as pitcher. We have two men, Paul Sites, '20, and Charles Roth, '22, on the wrestling team. They wrestled in a recent gym exhibit. Two of the our brothers are in the tennis tournament.

In the Student Association election on May Day, Ralph Chase, '21, was elected business manager of the The Clarion, the school weekly. Everett Trout, '20, has recently been

initiated into Sigma Delta Chi, the national Journalistic Fraternity.

Lieut. J. Russell Caldwell has returned from France.

Kenneth Hill, '19, is graduating at the head of his class with Scholastic honors.

We desire to introduce to the Fraternity:

Initiated April 28, 1919:

Ralph Barnett Bixler, L. A., '22, Denver.

Neil Palmer McFadzean, L. A., '22, Del Norte, Colo.

John Henry Becker, L. A., '22, Denver.

All are Denver fellows.

Officers for next year have been elected and installed. They will serve the remainder of this year to get familiar with the work.

We sincerely hope the final exams treat all with a gentle hand.

TENNESSEE ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

Halmond K. Stanfield

Since our last letter we have been very busy with mid-year examinations, but now that they are over, we at Tennessee Alpha are settling down and preparing for what we believe is going to be a very successful session.

Election of three officers caused by vacancies was held in March, and Tennessee Alpha will certainly prosper under their strong leadership.

Among our recent visitors were Lieut. T. D. Maker, of Tennessee Alpha, and Lieut. John Shaw, of Georgia Alpha. We are very proud of the record made by these two brothers in the struggle for democracy.

At present, baseball is of chief interest in college athletics. Our 'Varsity team is well organized, but up to date has played no games. However, we are confident of winning majority of games played. There is much rivalry among the Fraternities in referring to the Interfraternity Baseball League. Although it is rather early to make baseball predictions, yet we are in high hopes of winning the cup.

The Interfraternity Scholarship Cup has not been awarded yet, but we are confident of getting a high average, with a possibility of winning it.

Tennessee Alpha has not been idle along social lines this year. We participated in the Pan Hellenic dance given by all Fraternities on the night of February 28th. Our annual hop will be formal this year and will be given on May 9th. It is expected to be one of the foremost social functions of the season. It is our sincere desire that we may entertain some visiting brothers, and show them a real Tennessee Alpha dance, flavored with our numerous, luscious Southern maidens.

As this is the last letter of the season, we do not hesitate in predicting that next year will be a banner year for us, as we will be back at "1218," also we are losing only two men by graduation—Percy Kirby and Keith Beaman. We also expect to have several old men back from the service, and each man is promising to bring back at least one man.

In closing, we would be glad to welcome any visiting brothers, and extend to all our best wishes for a successful year.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA**PENN. STATE COLLEGE**

Ralph A. Hooks

The close of the term at Penn State finds our Chapter in an excellent condition and presents an exceedingly bright outlook for next year. At the closing of college there were thirty active members in the house and only one of these was lost through graduation. Also, quite a few of our older men who have been out of college for some time have signified their intention to return in the fall.

During the spring of this year there was initiated into Penn State's athletic system an Interfraternity Baseball League, and a large loving sup was offered to the winner. Immediately we Sig Eps organized a team, and by hard work were able to land a place in the finals, but we lost the final

game by a 3-2 score, and so failed to land the cup. Our consolation is that we will have another chance next year.

M. L. Thomas was our only varsity baseball man this year, and his showing was very creditable, considering that this was his first year, and we are expecting great things of him in his two remaining years. Another baseball man was Earl L. Hoffman, who not only pitched the Sig Eps to eight victories, but also won some games for the Juniors. Brother Hoffman was also a member of the La Vie Board.

Sigma Phi Epsilon closed the term with the annual Commencement House Party, and to say the least it was a success in every way. There were twenty-two couples in attendance; also H. A. Jones, T. S. Schaadt and first Lieut. Norman E. McClure, all Alumni. Brother McClure had returned from France within the week and his tales added considerably to our good times.

In closing, Penna. Eta wishes each and every Chapter a very pleasant summer and an even more pleasant and prosperous year when the college bells call us once again to our work.

OHIO EPSILON

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

H. Joyce Canright

We are now on the last lap of the race, for the happy days of a summer vacation are near at hand. Each and every brother is putting forth his final effort in order to insure first place in scholarship for Sigma Phi Epsilon in O. W. U. We are glad to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated March 17, 1919:

Roy F. Nickerson, South Jacksonville, Florida.

"Cy" Mackie, a "W" man, is the mainstay of the 'Varsity Baseball Nine, doing much credit to Sigma Phi Epsilon and

Ohio Wesleyan, whether he be placed in the pitcher's box or dons the catcher's outfit.

H. D. Fritz is also on the 'Varsity baseball squad.

E. Rogers and F. Gunn were recently initiated into the Honorary Gymnastic Fraternity of Gamma Phi.

During the month of April we had the pleasure of entertaining brothers from Ohio Alpha and Ohio Gamma.

We were glad also to welcome the return of A. Mason, of the Aviation Department; Otis Long and "Frick" Ketcham, of the 147th Field Hospital, and "Hob" Bell, of the 112th Sanitary Train, all of the 37th Division, and R. Stooddy, in the Ordnance Department, all having seen active service over there.

Brothers Mason and Long are with us this semester, completing their college career.

John Goble and M. H. Robertson, Alumni of this Chapter, also paid us a visit in April.

The prospect next year for Sigma Phi Epsilon in athletics and in student activities is bright, and we hope to leave an enviable record in college.

We take this opportunity to wish our sister Chapters a most prosperous year for 1919-20.

COLORADO GAMMA

COLORADO AGRI. COLLEGE

C. Milton Tompkins

The second semester of the college years is now rapidly drawing to a close, and, in spite of the war-time conditions which have prevailed, together with the necessity of changing from a military to a civilian basis, Colorado Gamma feels the session has been profitable and successful, notwithstanding the fact that the courses were shortened considerably by the faculty in order to cover nine months' work in a period of less than six months.

We are hopeful of having a much larger Chapter roll next fall, as many of our brothers in service have signified their

intentions of returning to complete their studies. Indications at present lead us to conclude that we may expect at least thirty men. Already negotiations have been completed whereby we shall get possession of a larger and more comfortable Chapter house the first of June. The house is on the main thoroughfare in Fort Collins, directly across from the campus.

Colorado Gamma takes this opportunity of introducing to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated March 20, 1919:

Henry Dawkins Mitchell, '22, Agriculture, Hanna, Wyo.

Mark Guffy spent two weeks in the hospital during April, having undergone an operation. He is well on the road to recovery now.

The college basketball season ended the latter part of March at C. A. C. William Nye and Ray Moorhead were each awarded the coveted "A." A week later, the coach issued a call for track men, and Verne Keating, William Nye, Jack Matheson, Aubrey Bennet and Oliver Baum responded. The outlook for a successful season is exceptionally good.

Interfraternity baseball has come into its own again. To date we have played two games, the first of which we lost, due to lack of practice. Lester Thompson is manager this year.

John G. Blanch and John L. Hoerner have been pledged to Alpha Zeta, the Honorary Agricultural Fraternity.

During April the Sophomore class at the college held an election for the staff of next year's Silver Spruce, the annual publication gotten out by the Junior class. Verne Keating was elected athletic editor, and Milton Tompkins, business manager.

The Chapter also has its representation along the lines of literary endeavor. Paul Swisher made the debating team, while one of our new pledges, F. Maxwell Campbell, is an alternate.

On the evening of May 29th, Colorado Gamma will hold its fourth annual dance at Central Hall. The affair gives promise of being one of the most brilliant events of the social

season. As usual, representatives from the other college Fraternities have been invited. In addition, many of the Alumni members will be present, as well as members of our sister Chapters in Colorado.

Lewis F. Schiele will be the only one lost to us through graduation this year. He intends locating on his ranch at Ocate, New Mexico. We shall feel his loss keenly, as he has accomplished inestimable good as Chapter president and brother.

We extend to all of our sister Chapters fraternal greetings. With best wishes for a pleasant and prosperous summer.

MINNESOTA**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA**

Earl O. G. Schmitt

Members of Minnesota Alpha are looking forward eagerly to the close of the present quarter on June 16th. Having been deprived of the use of our Chapter house on account of war conditions, we feel more than ever before the very important and essential function which a common meeting place, a Chapter house, fulfills in the life of a Chapter.

Notwithstanding the disadvantages under which our Chapter has been working, we have built up a strong Chapter of twenty-one members. Minnesota wishes to introduce to the Fraternity at large the following:

Initiated April 7, 1919:

Earl Oriol Schmitt, Medicine, '23, Paynesville, Minn.
Forrest Edmund Babcock, Academic, '20, Anoka, Minn.

Initiated April 24, 1919:

Clarence Raymond Flynn, Den. '21, Minneapolis, Minn.
John Edward Rucker, Law, '20, Wibaux, Mont.

Initiated May 26, 1919:

Mahlon Jameson Babcock, Academy, '22, Anoka, Minn.
Gustaf Adolph Johnson, Engineering, '22, Warren, Minn.
Earl Henry Grochau, Engineering, '21, St. Paul, Minn.
Merrill Wilmer Seymour, Chem., '21, Minneapolis, Minn.
We also have two pledges.

Since its last letter, Minnesota Alpha has held its annual banquet. The men of the active Chapter had the honor of acting hosts to a large number of Alumni, including several of those who had seen service overseas. The men related some very interesting incidents from "over there." Perhaps the most interesting of all messages brought back by our war veterans was that of the pleasure of meeting $\Sigma \Phi E$'s abroad in the service.

Sigma Phi Epsilon at Minnesota has two brothers in the list of those who will receive their degrees on June 19th. Louis J. Pankow will receive the degree of Bachelor of Science in Medicine, and Earl O. G. Schmitt will receive the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Both of these brothers will continue their work here at Minnesota in the College of Medicine.

Minnesota Alpha Chapter house will be open for the summer quarter, which begins June 24th. A large number of our men are planning to attend summer school. We will be very glad to see any our brothers from sister Chapters who, during the course of the summer, may find themselves in the twin cities.

Minnesota Alpha anticipates the year 1919-20 as the biggest and best season of its history. We extend to our sister Chapters similar success with all the "pep" of ante-bellum days.

IOWA BETA

IOWA STATE COLLEGE

T. B. Virden

As we look back upon last quarter, which ended the third week in March, Iowa Beta has sufficient reason to be gratified. Considering all, we have been able to establish ourselves quite satisfactorily. Several brothers have returned from the service to resume their college work, and we are, with their help, making our Fraternity stronger in every respect.

Our pledges did exceedingly fine work this year, and we were pleased to be able to initiate them when they showed such co-operative spirit.

We will not lose any men this year through graduation, as we have no Seniors in the house. This assures us that we will have the same bunch back next fall and proceedings will start off without any difficulty.

College activities are regaining their popularity and we have a few men out in practice this spring. Geo. R. Van Sickle is playing with the Varsity baseball squad, and Brother L. D. Frederickson is training hard with the track squad as pole-vaulter. We have several new men this year who will make a good showing along athletic lines next year.

Since our last letter to the Journal, we have initiated the following, whom we wish to introduce to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated February 7, 1919:

Lloyd Gordon Swanson, '14, E. E., Crescent, Ia.

Initiated March 14, 1919:

James Timothy Rempp, '22, E. E., Montezuma, Ia.

Wm. Theodore Zeigenhain, '22, Chem. E., Burlington, Ia.

Bryan Leigh Allan, '22, Agr. E., Rockwell City, Ia.

Harry Clifford Coy, '22, E. E., Farragut, Ia.

Joseph Patrick Grady, '21, M. E., Dunlap, Ia.

Miller Joseph Hamlin, '22, For., Des Moines, Ia.

We have all been pleasantly surprised a number of times when our brothers from overseas happened in to see us. Those who have visited us up to date are Captains Cool and Swanson, Lieutenants Reidesel, Hickenlooper and Edmunson, and Sergeant Teich. They have all been discharged and some of them want to return to college next fall. Brother Hickenlooper was able to get back with us for the rest of this year. We also have Ensign Marquis and W. C. Jones with us again. The latter was in the L. E. R. of U. S. N.

We gave an informal dance on April 5th, which was attended by a few of the Alumni brothers. We are having our last dance of the year on May 17th, and we extend a hearty invitation to all brothers who may care to attend.

In closing, Iowa Beta extends all sister Chapters the best of good wishes for a pleasant and prosperous summer.

MONTANA ALPHA**UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA****Eugene Harpole**

The college year that is now going on its final lap has, beyond doubt, been the most trying one in the history of the local Fraternities. It is with much relief that Montana Alpha finds itself assured, by surviving the recent trials, that it can continue to uphold the name of Sigma Phi Epsilon on the campus.

The "Heart" is famous on the campus, and its fame is spreading too. John D. Sullivan, "the lion tamer," has a baseball nine that does not have to take any odds in the prospects of winning the Interfraternity baseball games that are to start next week.

Martin Carlson, Eugene Harpole and a jovial pledge put on several vaudeville acts at a downtown theatre for the benefit of the A. S. U. M. a few nights ago that won them wide recognition in dramatic circles.

During the college year of 1917-18 Sigma Phi Epsilon held second rank in the scholarship average of the local Fraternities. In the winter quarter, which has just ended, Brother Harpole got the highest individual scholarship in the University.

The Varsity baseball nine has three Sigma Phi Epsilon men on it. Several of the brothers are working out for the Varsity track and field team.

A matter that may be of interest to our sister Chapters is the Alumni letter which some of the brothers have been working on and now have nearly ready to send to the absent Chapter members. The document is christened "The Bug." Each $\Sigma \Phi E$ in the University is given an insect classification that conforms most with his predominant field of activity. Then his interests and activities in college are described in detail. After this comes a mass of live information about the house, absent men, the other Fraternities and the Sororities on the campus and the University in general.

Initiations were held April 13th. Six Freshmen went through it. Let this letter introduce them to the Journal family. They are:

Fritz Arthur Lautz, Buffalo, N. Y.
Charles Robert Keeling, Somers, Mont.
Fred Thompson Daylis, Worden, Mont.
Donald Carnal, Harlem, Mont.
Earl Robert Fries, Sun River, Mont.
Joseph Patrick Donahue, Three Forks, Mont.

These new men bring the number of pages that are in use in the Chapter historian's book up to thirty-four. Fourteen members and one pledge are enrolled at the University. The house holds ten of them.

Albert "Al" Woehner, a student of pharmacy, got a pharmacist's certificate at the last State examinations and has withdrawn from college to work in his father's wholesale drug company at Great Falls, Mont. William H. Zeh was discharged from the Tank Corps at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., about two weeks ago and promises to pay us a visit when he returns from his home in Wisconsin. "Bill" enlisted in the Tank Corps in April, 1918, in the hopes of meeting a former German schoolmaster at the front. Hugh Lockeridge is working for the Office of Public Roads at Sand Point, Idaho.

William Frank McCullough and Miss Edith Briner, of Big Timber, Mont., were married at Camp Lewis, Washington, on March 15, 1919. Brother McCullough is a supply sergeant in the army and does not expect to be discharged immediately. He is saving his honeymoon for later use.

An interscholastic track meet will be held between the various high schools of Montana at the University May 13-16. We hope to make favorable impressions on some promising high school seniors at that time; in fact, we are going to make good impressions on them.

In closing, Montana Alpha extends her best wishes to the sister Chapters.

OREGON ALPHA OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE**Kenneth D. Fendall**

We are now nearly through with our college year, and soon will be leaving to take up our various occupations for the summer. This year has been one to try the strength and standards of our house, but we are beginning to find our stride again, and next year hope to see things moving along smoothly. Our Chapter has suffered from the lack of old men, but the new men are grasping the true spirit of Sigma Phi Epsilon and are helping to uphold its ideals.

Oregon Alpha takes great pleasure in presenting the following new brothers to the Fraternity at large:

Initiated April 11, 1919:

De Vere Fendall, '16, Agriculture, Newberg, Oregon.

Fendall is an old Oxford man, who helped to secure Sigma Phi Epsilon on this campus.

Geo. Foster Bell, '21, Agr., Coixnalle, Ore.

Winifred Johnson, '21, E. E., Portland, Oregon.

David R. Marr, '21, Commerce, Dundee, Oregon.

Ralph Elmo Shannahan, '21, Agriculture, Dundee, Oregon.

John Manley Donaldson, '22, Agriculture, Bandon, Oregon.

Kenneth Duvall Fendall, '22, Agriculture, Newberg, Oregon.

Wellington Seth Green, '22, E. E., Pasadena, Cal.

De Witt Clinton Holbrook, '22, Agri., Durkee, Oregon.

Ted Eldred Landes, '22, Agriculture, Mossyrock, Wash.

Guy Lewis Savage, '22, M. E., Portland, Oregon.

Initiated May 19, 1919:

Ernest Victor Abbott, '22, Commerce, Ashland, Oregon.

Theo. Adolph Heyden, '22, Agriculture, Pendleton, Oregon.

We were not up to our usual standard in athletics this year. In basketball and baseball we gave them a run for their money, but we were not able to stay on top. In track we were able to produce a good showing. We stood third among the national Fraternities on the campus. Elsworth Green, a Junior, made the 'Varsity' track team and was going good until he suffered an injury to his leg late in the season. Wei-

lington Green and Ted Heyden were mainstays on the Freshman track team. Heyden is heaving the shot around forty feet, while Green is doing fast time in the 220, 440, and relay.

In Interfraternity debate our house worked up to the semi-finals before were nosed out. Ernest V. Abbott, Ted E. Landes and De Witt C. Holbrook, all Freshmen, did very able work for us in this field. Brother Abbott was one of the debaters for his class and tried out for 'Varsity debate.

We are well represented in the military organization. We have six commissioned officers in the ranks. G. V. Robinson, up to the time of his leaving the college, was Colonel of Cadets, the highest student officer. The others are: A. M. Manning, captain; A. W. McComb, first lieutenant; Kenneth Cook, W. F. Lathrop and E. N. Green, second lieutenants.

In addition to holding the position of Colonel of Cadets, Robinson was first vice-president of the student body, the only Senior man elected to membership in the Forum, the highest student honor organization, and was president of Sigma Tau, National Honorary Engineering Fraternity. "Robby" graduated this spring, and now holds an important position with the Oregon State Highway Commission at Pendleton, Oregon.

A. M. Manning and W. F. Lathrop are also members of Sigma Tau, being initiated recently. At a recent election Brother Manning was elected vice-president. He has also been elected president of the A. I. E. E. here at O. A. C.

J. Ivan Stewart was one of the debaters chosen to represent O. A. C. this year, and recently helped to defeat the University of Washington in a debate held there. Stewart has also been chosen to edit the Beaver next year. This is an annual college publication put out by the Junior class.

W. F. Johnson was recently chosen to manage the college orchestra for the coming school year.

W. F. Lathrop is yell leader of the Junior class and tried out for 'Varsity yell leader.

At a recent election Oregon Alpha elected the following officers for the ensuing year: A. M. Manning, president; A. W. McComb, vice-president; Marshall Green, secretary; D. R. Marr, treasurer; K. D. Fendall, historian; T. E. Landes and

brother Earl ("Jack") Frost. He holds the college record in pole vaulting. "Don" MacGregor was second place in the college tennis tournament.

Inter-Fraternity athletics furnish a great deal of amusement. We were very fortunate in winning the inter-fraternity basketball championship, and are proud of the beautiful cup which we gained in consequence. About a dozen brothers came out regularly for practice and this was the means of our success. Six consecutive victories gave us the undisputed title. Our baseball team was much better than last year's one. We won three out of the six games played.

The social activities go hand in hand with the other college activities. We have been rather handicapped by the S. A. T. C. and war conditions, but have been as active as possible along social lines. Our first social affair was the annual stag banquet, held on Founders' Day, February 22. A number of our alumni were present, also Leonard L. Leach of the Nebraska Alpha Chapter. The talks were especially fine and everyone considered the banquet a great success. A dance was given at the Chapter house, between semesters. Eighteen couples were present. The big social event for the Chapter was our informal dance at Elks Hall on March 7th. Thirty-five couples were present. Decorations of fraternity colors and flowers together with good music helped to make the dance the best we have had. Several brothers from the Nebraska Alpha Chapter were present. Our last and most important banquet was the one given on Mothers' Day, May 11th. Ten mothers attended the banquet and entertainment which followed at the Chapter house. The banquet was given at the Hotel Gillette, covers being laid for fifty-two. It certainly was fine to have our mothers here to meet all of the brothers and to see just what our fraternity life is. All of the mothers enjoyed the banquet and entertainment very much indeed. This was our first Mothers's Day celebration and we intend to continue the custom.

Upon closing this review of our past college year we wish to say that our prospects for next year are much better than ever before. We have made preparations for rushing men next fall and intend to get the best obtainable. Every man has the spirit and the desire to help and I am sure he will do his part.

With the Alumni

WILDER WINS CROIX DE GUERRE.

**Former Aggie Also Distinguishes Himself in A. E. F.
Athletics.**

Marshall P. Wilder, '18, in the division of general science, has been awarded the croix de Guerre according to reports received from Kyllburg, Germany, under date of May 6. The honor was conferred at the time of the organization of the War Society of the 89th Division.

Not only has Mr. Wilder distinguished himself in actual war service but he has made a name for himself as one of the leading athletes of the American Expeditionary Forces. A dispatch from Paris, under date of May 10th, speaks of him as as one of the seven athletes of the 89th Division who have given up the opportunity of coming home with their comrades in order that they may participate in the A. E. F. track championships and inter-allied games. He is referred to as "a pentathlon star."

According to Coach Schulz of the department of physical education, a pentathlon athlete is one who participates in five events. These are usually a hurdle event, two dashes, discus throwing and javelin throwing.

Wilder will be remembered as one of the leading Aggie athletes. He holds the college half-mile record at 2:01 3-5 and ran the hurdles in fast time. Besides, he was a prominent halfback in 1915 and 1916.

Wilder is a member of the K fraternity, the Quill Club, and the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He expects to return to college next fall. (Kansas Agricultural College.)

Allen Smith, Virginia Theta, has returned to Birmingham, Alabama, after distinguishing himself on the battle fields of France.

**MAKE 457 LOOPS—JOHNSON AND WOODWARD BREAK
ALL FLIGHT RECORDS AT CARLSTROM FIELD.**

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 16.—Making 457 consecutive loops during a flight lasting one hour and fifty-four minutes, Lieutenants Ralph C. Johnson and Mark R. Woodward set a new world's record today at Carlstrom Field, Arcadia, Fla. The making of the new record was announced by air service officers here, who said a LaPere two-seated fighting plane was used.

Brother Woodward is a member of Virginia Eta Chapter at the University of Virginia.

—Times-Dispatch, Saturday, May 17, 1919.

Ray C. Burrus, Georgia Alpha, is a Second Lieutenant and special representative to Secretary Baker. He is investigating the labor conditions of the country. He was given a royal reception by the various Civic Associations while in Birmingham.

William C. Galleher, Virginia Eta, has secured his discharge from the army and is with the Old Dominion Trust Company (Bond Department) Richmond, Virginia.

Otto G. Reumann, New York Alpha, who has been engaged in War Y. M. C. A. work for the past two years, will leave for China with his wife and child in August to take up Missionary and Educational Work.

William Hulsey, Georgia Alpha, is in the advertising business with the Age-Herald, Birmingham, Alabama.

Morgan Mills, Jr., Virginia Alpha, has returned from a two years' stay in France, with the U. S. Marines. He is now with the Virginia Equipment and Supply Company of Richmond, Virginia.

W. H. Eastman, New Hampshire Alpha, has severed his connection with the Linseed Products Company at Chicago and taken charge of the plant of the William O. Goodrich Company at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Ruben Chapman, Virginia Theta, returned to Birmingham, Alabama, after a long absence. He is associated with the district attorney.

J. E. Woodward, Virginia Alpha, who has been in France for the past year and a half with the Insurance Department of the Army, has returned and resumed his place with the Travelers Insurance Company at Richmond, Virginia.

W. W. Wood, Alabama Alpha, returned from France and has taken active charge of his father's business, lately deceased. He is located at Birmingham, Alabama.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR PARIS EDITION N. Y. HERALD
FROM A. E. F. READERS.**

**Captain C. P. Franchot Sends a Tribute to Fallen American
Aviator.**

General Headquarters,
American Expeditionary Forces.

To the Editor of the Herald:

In connection with the recent death of Major David McK. Peterson, whose distinguished services as a member of the Lafayette Escadrille and of the Air Service in the A. E. F. are well known, I submit for publication in your esteemed paper the enclosed tribute to him. Trusting that you may find space for it, I am,

C. P. FRANCHOT, Capt.

To Major David McK. Peterson,

American Ace, formerly of Lafayette Escadrille, Distinguished Service Cross, Croix de Guerre (two citations to Order of Army), killed in aeroplane accident at Daytona, Fla.

Quiet but forceful, kind but strong,
Faithful in study, careful in act,
Brave in action, despising the wrong,
Capable always and gifted with tact;

Valorous, generous, giving your best,
Loved by your comrades, respected by all,
But Death that you played with in battle and test
Beckoned at last and you've answered its call.

France loses in you a chivalrous friend;
America's loss—a glorious son.
Honored by both before the end
By medals for valor for gratitude won.

Though youth was still yours and the future was bright,
Your life was a full one, complete in its span.
Deep though our grief, with pride we will cite
Your achievements so splendid, the deeds of a man.
C. P. FRANCHOT.

Brother Peterson was a member of Pennsylvania Epsilon
Chapter, Lehigh University.

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Marriages and Births

MARRIAGES.

Harrison Samuel McCrary, Jr., Georgia Alpha, was married June seventeenth to Miss Grace Catherine Montrose, at Brunswick, Georgia.

Henry W. Hartle, '18, Minnesota Alpha, was married recently to Miss Harriet Long. They are at home at Owatonna, Minn.

F. W. Adams, Minnesota Alpha, and Miss Marie Morrison were recently married at Owatonna, Minn.

BIRTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Chapman, Minnesota Alpha, announce the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Anderson, Minnesota Alpha are the parents of a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert White, Minnesota Alpha, a son.

F. S. Richardson, Minnesota Alpha, announce the birth of a daughter, Jeanne.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Dix Griffin, N. Y. Alpha, June 13, 1919, a son, Gordon Dix.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION FROM INDIANA ALPHA.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has called to Himself our dearly beloved brother,

Thomas Humphrey Henry, and

Whereas, He was so highly esteemed by the members of Indiana Alpha Sigma Phi Epsilon; and

Whereas, His life has been a worthy example for all who knew him; and

Whereas, It has become our sad duty to record his death; be it

Resolved, By Indiana Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, That in his death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a worthy, sincere, and loyal brother; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family, our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in this sorrow; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, and a copy be spread upon the records of this Chapter, and a copy be published in the Fraternity Journal.

MERLE Q. DANNETTELL,

JOHN C. McCOLOUGH.

Committee.

RESOLUTIONS FROM OHIO GAMMA.

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to call to his reward our dearly beloved brother,

Earnest Louis Davis, and

Whereas, It has become our sad duty to record his untimely death; and

Whereas, Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a true and faithful brother, loyal to the high ideals of the fraternity; and

Whereas, The world has lost a real man, one of highest nobility of character, an esteemed citizen, upright, respected, beloved by all, a kind and sympathetic friend; be it

Resolved, That we, the Ohio Gamma Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon hereby place on record our heartfelt sorrow at the loss of a brother who was so dear to us and to all who knew him; and be it

Resolved, That we extend our sympathy to his wife and child, and to his parents; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother, a copy be spread upon the records of our Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

**PHILIP W. PORTER,
J. W. FLAIG.**

Whereas, Almighty God has called from this life our beloved brother,

Irvin Clifton Brown, and

Whereas, It has become our sad duty to record his death; and

Whereas, By his death a true and faithful brother was lost to Sigma Phi Epsilon, and a loyal, square, and esteemed friend was lost to all who knew him; be it

Resolved, That we, Ohio Gamma Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, hereby place on record our heartfelt sorrow at the loss of a brother who was so dear to us and to all his friends and acquaintances; and be it

Resolved, That we extend our sympathy over our mutual loss to his family; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother, a copy be spread upon the records of our Chapter, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

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